

First day in the new life of John McCarthy



McCarthy: remarkably well-adapted to changes

From LIN JENKINS at RAF LYNEHAM
FOR a man embracing his first full day of freedom in more than five years, John McCarthy was surprisingly sedentary yesterday, his wishes overshadowed by his need to fulfil his mission. He did, however, make his first decision in 1,943 days - and that was not to get out of bed until a quarter to eleven.

Priority was given to making arrangements for handing the message from his captors to Javier Pérez de Cuellar, the United Nations secretary-general, tomorrow, but on a personal level the British journalist was having trouble adapting to being headline news.

"He is overwhelmed by being a front-page story," said Robert Burke, the executive vice-president of Worldwide Television News, his employers. He said that Mr McCarthy was cheerful and remarkably well-adapted to the changes in the world since his abduction.

The fact that he and his three fellow hostages had been allowed to listen to the BBC World Service for the past year had lessened the initial shock of release. "He speaks fully, he is not searching for words. He knows more about what is happening in the world than we do. He does not feel any surprise or shock at what has happened since he has been gone," Mr Burke said.

Radio reports had kept him, Terry Waite and the Americans, Terry Anderson and Thomas Sutherland, informed of the Friends of John McCarthy campaign being run by Jill Morrell and Chris Pearson. "It was a terrific morale booster for all the hostages. It gave them a lot to live for," said Mr Burke, who chatted with Mr McCarthy shortly after he got up.

The news that his mother Sheila had died in 1989 came to him last year in radio broadcasts about the plight of the hostages, after the release of Brian Keenan. Yesterday Mr McCarthy apparently spoke of his ordeal hardly at all, except to comment on the sensitivity of newspaper reports of his release and to express a wish to repay the media by "recounting his time as a hostage once he has a chance to make sense of it," Mr Burke said.

Muslim leader orders end to kidnapping

From ALI JABER in BEIRUT AND RICHARD BEESTON in JERUSALEM

THE leader of Muslim fundamentalists in Lebanon yesterday issued what amounted to a religious order banning the kidnapping of foreigners.

Sheikh Muhammad Hussein Fadlallah declared that the disadvantages of abducting foreigners far outweighed any advantages and called for the release of the French aid worker seized in Beirut hours after John McCarthy's release on Thursday.

The pronouncement by Sheikh Fadlallah at Friday prayer in a mosque south of Beirut came as the Lebanese government condemned the kidnapping of Jérôme Leyraud as an "assassination of the peace". Sheikh Fadlallah appealed to his followers to release Mr Leyraud immediately and urged them to "protect every foreigner who comes to Lebanon".

Two shot as refugees riot

Albanian refugees held in a football stadium in Bari broke through police lines after pelting officers with rubble from the top of the stands. Two refugees were shot and several were stabbed. Page 8

Secretary jailed

A secretary was jailed for a year for attempting to blackmail a building society into giving £10,000 in exchange for her silence about an alleged sex scandal. Page 6

Astronaut dies

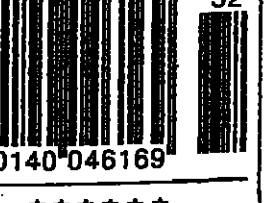
James B. Irwin, the former astronaut, who walked on the moon in 1971 and later became a church minister who searched for biblical artefacts, has died. He was 61. Page 12

Rivals clash

Arsenal and Spurs renew their north London rivalry at Wembley this afternoon in the Charity Shield, the traditional curtain raiser to the football season. Page 33

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Over and out: Ian Botham attempting unsuccessfully to hurdle his stumps and evade a Curtly Ambrose bouncer at the Oval yesterday in the final Test against the West Indies. He made 31. Simon Barnes, page 36; report, page 38

A cloudy start for travellers

By DAVID YOUNG
HOLIDAYMAKERS undaunted by a gloomy start to their journeys this morning should find some sunlight to cheer the end of the day. As the roads, railways, airports and ports groan under the weight of one of the busiest weekends of the traveller's diary, weathermen predict Wales and much of England will have a damp, cloudy start.

UK forces were at limit in Gulf war

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT
BRITAIN'S armed forces had been stretched in meeting their commitments in the Gulf conflict and their deployment effectively destroyed the operational capability of British forces based in Germany, a defence committee report claimed yesterday.

Don't go to Majorca this weekend - it's full

By HARVEY ELLIOTT
MAJORCA was officially described as "full" yesterday because holidaymakers - mostly Germans - have snapped up every available bed before the British have even made up their minds where they want to stay.

The Foreign Office warned British tourists not to fly in without guaranteed accommodation. If they did, they might find themselves deported or moved on to other, possibly less attractive, destinations - such as Ibiza - which the Germans have not yet overrun.

Every available bed on Majorca has now been booked for the whole of August, mainly by Germans and Scandinavians who have suddenly discovered the island where the package holiday was born and which had become Essex-in-the-sun for millions of Britons. Hoteliers are tearing down the "Olde

Pubbe" and fish-and-chip signs and replacing them with Bierkellers and bratwurst. Former East Germans discovering the joys of foreign package travel have so swelled the bookings that local police have been reinforced to clear away hundreds of people sleeping on beaches in the main resorts.

US slump dents car sales for Rover

By KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT
ROVER has stopped exports of its Sterling limousines to the United States after sales plummeted during the recession. The company said last night that it would not send any further shipments from its factory at Cowley, Oxfordshire, because of the "significant decline" in sales.

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Latest kidnap may have scuppered US hostage deal with Lebanon



Anderson: held longer than any other hostage

THE abduction of a Frenchman in Beirut on Thursday night has revealed a split among Lebanese hostage-takers over a possible deal to free all Western captives in return for the release of Arab detainees in Israel.

The seizure of Jérôme Leyraud, aged 26, by a new group calling itself the Organisation to Defend the Rights of the Detainees, was probably intended to block the release by Islamic Jihad of the American, Terry Anderson, who has been held longer than anyone else. Muslim sources and unnamed Lebanese officials say Mr Anderson was to have been freed soon after John McCarthy.

The new group threatened to execute Mr Leyraud "the minute another hostage is released", adding

that it would take further severe action if the fate of prisoners in Israel was subject to "more suspicious deals".

A Muslim fundamentalist figure with influence on the kidnappers, who wished to remain anonymous, claimed that a deal had been struck between US officials and the Lebanese kidnappers to release the 12 hostages still held in Lebanon. Other sources in Beirut said that one of the Islamic Jihad leaders, Imad Mughniyeh, met US agents in Paris last month and agreed to free the captives. The United States had in return offered to help to obtain the freedom of Lebanese prisoners jailed in Israel.

Mr Mughniyeh, aged 37, is widely believed to have been

Shia fundamentalists in Lebanon are split over the release of hostages, writes Ali Jaber, and their differences are prolonging the plight of the remaining captives

behind the abduction in Beirut in 1987 of Terry Waite, the Archbishop of Canterbury's representative, by luring him to a meeting in a west Beirut flat and persuading him to evade his guards to secure confidentiality. Sheikh Muhammad Husain Fadallah, considered the mentor of Muslim fundamentalists in Lebanon, said that final touches were made to the deal with America in Istanbul during the

recent meeting of the Islamic Conference. He said Iran no longer needed the hostages to put pressure on America to unfreeze the \$11 billion held in American banks since 1979. He believed Iran now felt that helping the release of hostages might secure the assets' return more quickly.

"The hostages are now solely linked to the detainees in Israel," he said yesterday. The Americans and the kidnappers had agreed, he

added, "that the United Nations is the suitable mechanism which can provide a suitable entrance to an exit from this whole issue".

If both parties worked "in a responsible way, far from the noise of the media, the whole problem of the foreign hostages in Lebanon will be folded for ever", he said. However, "other parties have started to interfere and may try to block the deal". Sheikh Fadallah cited the kidnapping of M Leyraud and the killing in Paris of Dr Shapur Bakhtiar, the former Iranian prime minister, as examples.

Diplomatic sources in Beirut believe the hostage deal is backed by Iran and Syria but opposed by the families of Hezbollah members jailed in Israel and Germany.

Ash-Shiraa, the usually well-informed magazine, said that Iran was seeking to break its economic isolation and to keep the explosive issue of its relations with the West from becoming a campaign issue in next spring's national elections.

The magazine concluded that Mr McCarthy's release was an introduction to further releases, and said he regained his freedom only after Britain agreed to sell Asman, a private Iranian aviation company, five giant aircraft worth \$500 million. It said America had managed to block the deal in the past, so keeping a hold on the prospects of the release of the British captives, especially after Tehran restored full diplomatic relations with London.

French call on Syria to stop killing of aid worker hostage

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN PARIS

FRANCE said yesterday that the kidnap of a French aid worker in Lebanon did not make sense and urged Syria to use its influence in Beirut to prevent the hostage takers carrying out the threat to execute him if another Western captive is released.

The Quai d'Orsay confirmed that Jérôme Leyraud, aged 26, the Beirut administrator of the French humanitarian organisation Médecins du Monde, had been seized in the Lebanese capital on Thursday, marring international jubilation over the release of John McCarthy.

Maurice Gourdault-Montagne, a foreign ministry spokesman, said that M Leyraud was last seen on Thursday afternoon. He denied a claim by the hitherto unknown Organisation for the

Defence of the Rights of Prisoners that the hostage was a French intelligence agent.

The kidnappers, who are believed to be malcontented Islamic fundamentalists, had threatened to execute the Frenchman if the Islamic Jihad released another Western hostage. Political sources in Beirut, however, still expressed high hopes that the American journalist Terry Anderson would be released soon.

Another foreign ministry source in Paris said the kidnapping had "seriously thrown into question the renewal [of relations] between Paris and Lebanon".

The Frenchman had worked for the organisation on Guatemala and Sierra Leone before taking up a temporary assignment in Beirut that was scheduled to end next month so that he could return to Paris to take a political science degree.

order in Lebanon. It was affirmed only recently that Damascus controlled everything in Beirut. This seems incompatible with the kidnapping of Westerners.

One Arab diplomat in Paris said he expected that Syria would prevent a French hostage being harmed. "The Syrians are very upset at the abduction. His killing is very much in doubt for it may trigger the Syrians to act in a bloody fashion."

Gilles Brucker, a spokesman for Médecins du Monde, said: "Everything in Leyraud's background proves he was completely dedicated to this humanitarian mission."

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In spite of the kidnapping and the assassination discovered in Paris on Thursday of Shapur Bakhtiar, the former Iranian prime minister, the Elysée Palace said yesterday that a proposed visit to Iran by President Mitterrand in the autumn was not necessarily in doubt.

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US nudge for Israel

IN A nudge to Israel, Martin Fitzwater, the White House press secretary, said yesterday: "We believe all hostages and others confined in the region, regardless of nationality, should be released." (Martin Fletcher writes). That carefully-chosen phrase clearly encompassed Israel's 300 or 400 Lebanese prisoners and Sheikh Abdel Karim Obaid,

the Lebanese Shiite cleric abducted by Israel in 1989.

Mr Fitzwater said that America could not tell the United Nations what to do and that while it had put no pressure on Israel to release prisoners, Israel was aware of US policy. He said that optimism was waning "day by day" for an American release.



Voice of moderation: Sheikh Muhammad Hussain Fadallah, spiritual mentor of Hezbollah, who yesterday called for a complete end to hostage-taking

SYRIA'S ROLE

Time and politics weighs against captors' initiative

FROM ADAM KELLNER IN DAMASCUS

TIME and political momentum are working against the captors of the 11 remaining Western hostages in Lebanon, who are prey to the regional realignments precipitated by the Gulf war.

Hostage-taking has not gone out of fashion, as proven by the abduction of the French aid worker hours after the release of John McCarthy. But the new kidnapping owes more to the random and poisonous nature of Lebanese politics than the broad power changes now under way.

"Why are they (the Islamic Jihad) doing this? It is because of the Syrians and the Iranians," one Syrian intellectual said. "It reflects the policy shift towards the United States in general."

Under the new leadership of the more moderate Sheikh Abbas Mousawi, the Iranian-backed Hezbollah has moved from the rabidly anti-Western stance of his hardline predecessor, Sheikh Nabhi Tofayil. But more than any ideological change, it was the consolidation of Syria's grip over Lebanon and a reassessment of survival options that has brought the kidnapping.

To some extent, the hostages have been a by-product of the Lebanese policy of the Hezbollah, who "prefer" the death of any captured Westerner to the virility of the

countries involved. President Saddam Hussein deflated this emotional power by seizing thousands of Westerners during the Gulf confrontation. The resolve of allies to bomb Iraq was devoid of the delicacy displayed towards the captives in Lebanon.

The conflict also accelerated Syria's reorientation away from being the vanguard of Arab radicalism to a nation that is now agreeing to negotiate with Israel. The gradual collapse of Soviet power in the Middle East has prompted President Assad to improve relations with Washington after years of being underwritten by the Kremlin.

Syria has already received \$2.5 billion (£1.47 billion) from Saudi Arabia for participation in the Gulf war coalition, and further acceptance by Washington could yield prizes in trade, capital and technology to revive a moribund economy. Israeli concessions on the Golan Heights and an easing of pressure on Damascus for purchasing such weaponry as Scud-C missiles are possible political benefits.

Washington still lists Syria as a sponsor of terrorism, and the key way to earn respectability was to help free the hostages. "Pure brownie points," said one Western ambassador described the political games for Mr McCarthy's release. "This is a great time for Syria. For once they are the good guys."

Syria's removal of the certainty of anarchy in Lebanon has also made hostage-holding more of an effort. After helping the Lebanese military during June to disarm Palestinian guerrillas, the remaining recalcitrant armed group confronting Israel and its affiliated militia forces is the Hezbollah. There is speculation that the Lebanese may now try to tame them before the regional peace conference in October.

The kidnappers have also been undermined by changes in Iran, which has been re-assuming links with Western countries since 1989 and does not want to be left out of any regional reshaping. Economic motivations also weigh heavily. Mr McCarthy could not have been freed without a nod from Tehran, as underlined by Britain's declaration of gratitude to the "humanitarian efforts" of other unspecified governments.

"The Islamic Jihad have run out of patience, and know that they are not going to get anything from the West," one analyst said. "It is better to cut some deal now and possibly get something than face future annihilation."

THE WAITING

Medical team on standby

Wiesbaden — Doctors, nurses, a special team from Washington and an army of journalists waited at a hospital here yesterday in the hope that an American hostage would be released from Lebanon.

A teeming temporary settlement of trailers and vans manned by television crews and other journalists has sprung up down the street from the US Air Force hospital in Wiesbaden, near Frankfurt.

The hospital has served as a transit point in past releases, a place where former hostages can be helped to adjust psychologically from captivity to freedom. Freed hostages are also given physical examinations during their stay at the hospital, which on past occasions have lasted several days, and they are then debriefed by a team from the US State Department. (AP)

LIBYA APPEAL

Gadafi may help, Labour MP says

By PETER MULLIGAN

BERNIE Grant, Labour MP for Tottenham, said yesterday that Colonel Gadafi of Libya may be able to help free more hostages from the Middle East and called on Britain to respond to Tripoli's overtures for a resumption of diplomatic ties.

He disclosed that he had visited senior foreign ministry officials during a five-day visit to Libya last week and said that they were ready to help with the hostages if called on to do so.

"I think they have some influence with Hezbollah. I did not press that particularly hard. I was not there to talk about the hostages in particular," Mr Grant said. "They assured me that they have got some influence still and they are prepared to put it at our disposal. If that is the case, it is something the government should look at." Mr Grant has

formed an unlikely alliance with Sir Teddy Taylor, the Tory MP for Southend East, whose claim that a change of mood had occurred in Tripoli earlier this year met with a rebuff from the Foreign Office.

Sir Teddy said last night that the government was foolish not to accept specific Libyan pledges on terrorism. "Even more perplexing is the failure to respond to the specific offer to assist in the possible release of Terry Waite when the Libyans have so recently assisted in the release of Belgians, Swiss and French hostages."

The Foreign Office last night said that no improvement in relations could take place without "convincing evidence" that the Libyans had renounced support for international terrorism, including the IRA.

FAREWELL FLOURISH

Quiet diplomat finally finds his tongue

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

JAVIER Pérez de Cuéllar, the United Nations secretary-general, has been trying to avoid the press since the Gulf war. He feels uncomfortable delivering impromptu remarks in his uncertain English, which then make headlines around the world. His spokesmen even asked correspondents not to wait for him outside UN headquarters.

On Thursday, however, after the release of John McCarthy, Señor Pérez de Cuéllar was positively loquacious. He spoke to the press six times in one day — as he left his official residence, as he arrived for work, as he went to attend a security council meeting, as he left the security council, when he left for lunch and when he returned.

Only when the kidnapping of the French aid worker jeopardised the expected release of a second Western hostage did he duck out, leaving the press standing for two hours outside the UN building while he disappeared through an underground car-

park. Mr McCarthy's release may well be the crowning glory of Señor Pérez de Cuéllar's ten years as secretary-general.

His second five-year term ends on December 31, and sources say he has turned down a request from France and the Soviet Union to stay on for a further three years. The veteran Peruvian diplomat, aged 71, is said to have been deeply offended that he

was not offered a full term — even though he did not want to stay on at all.

Throughout his administration Señor Pérez de Cuéllar adopted a policy of wait-and-see, continuing to work on such seemingly hopeless international disputes as Cyprus, Afghanistan, the Iran-Iraq war, Cambodia and the Arab-Israeli conflict. Eventually his work was rewarded. The end of the Cold War brought the superpowers together in solving regional conflicts.

As his term draws to a close, settlements appear to be in sight in Afghanistan and Cambodia after the withdrawal of Soviet and Vietnamese troops respectively, and peace conferences are to take place this autumn on Cyprus and the Middle East.

Señor Pérez de Cuéllar played his part in freeing the Western hostages in Lebanon with similar patience, offering UN cover to countries which are now ready to deal with each other. He has been making private appeals for the

hostages' release since at least 1986, and in 1989 sent a special envoy to Beirut after the kidnapping of Colonel William Higgins, an American UN peacekeeper.

Since at least 1987 the secretary-general has channelled messages from Iran to the United States and Israel, having won Tehran's trust during the Iran-Iraq war. Giandomenico Picco, his chief Iran specialist, who went to Lebanon to bring back Mr McCarthy, has been holding talks with Iranian diplomats in New York and with other parties for six months.

Unlike most UN initiatives, few countries seem to have been aware of the discussions to win the release of the Western hostages. Israeli servicemen and the Shia prisoners in Israel. As he prepared to leave for London to meet Mr McCarthy, Señor Pérez de Cuéllar still seemed cautiously optimistic yesterday that his quiet diplomacy might secure the release of all the Western hostages in Lebanon.



Pérez de Cuéllar: working for release since 1986

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'It was overwhelming and wonderful to see him in the flesh'

Jill Morrell heartened by emotional reunion

By BILL FROST

JILL Morrell last night described her first meeting with John McCarthy after more than five years, saying: "His ordeal is not over. It will be a difficult process for him to readjust, but he looks like he can cope."

Miss Morrell told a press conference: "It was a wonderful day. I can't say I have ever experienced a day like it. It was a day full of wonderful times with two images of John. The first of him standing on the plane step and then seeing him in the room for the first time."

Describing their emotional reunion at RAF Lyneham in Wiltshire on Thursday night, she said: "I had always found it difficult to imagine the moment, but it lived up to my expectations. It was as overwhelming and wonderful to see him in the flesh as it was to see him on television just after his release."

Miss Morrell refused, however, to say what their first words were, or what they discussed. "It was a private moment and I really want to keep it private," she said.

She fended off questions about their future together, saying: "It was impossible to speculate about how the relationship would continue while he was still in captivity. It is no easier now he has been in the country for just a few hours. We are just taking it a day at a time."

Miss Morrell told reporters



Centre of attention: Jill Morrell being guided by police officers through the ranks of the massed media for a news conference in a London hotel yesterday afternoon

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Captors' final condition will be met

By LYN JENKINS

THE freed hostage turned envoy, John McCarthy, will do the bidding of his captors for the last time tomorrow when he hands over their message to Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the United Nations secretary-general.

Mr McCarthy has insisted on delivering personally the request to the UN to help arrange an exchange deal which could lead to the release of all Western hostages in the Lebanon. He has declined to discuss his mission, preferring

to wait for the meeting at RAF Lyneham, Wiltshire, where he is staying temporarily with his father Patrick and brother Terence while he undergoes medical tests, shielded from the curiosity of the world's media.

Yesterday Robert Burke, executive vice-president of his employers, World Wide Television News, said that much of his first day of freedom had been spent organising the meeting. "The focal point has been the opportunity to complete his condition of freedom, that is, to hand over to Pérez

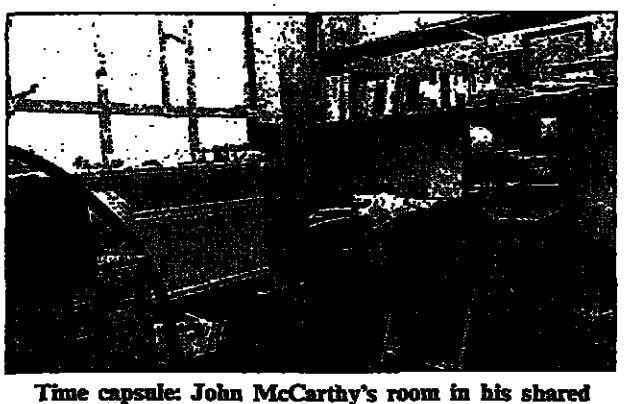
Belongings wait to be claimed

THE evidence of John McCarthy's five-year time-warped was clearly apparent yesterday in his small council flat room.

His black leather attaché case opened to reveal the moment his life stopped on his first foreign assignment.

An £8 parking fine dated June 29, 1985 was still in its plastic folder, alongside credit card bills, tax forms and bank books. There were work schedules and bundles of pens.

Chris Martin, aged 34, his friend and former flatmate,



Time capsule: John McCarthy's room in his shared London flat, just as it was when he was taken captive

said: "Everything is it was. The clock stopped and now it will start again."

A 3ft-long white trunk and two black bags bulging with wool sweaters, jeans and shirts were dragged out and dusted off, waiting to be collected.

Two other bags filled with personal belongings lay neatly stacked next to the pile. A knee-length woollen overcoat was laid on top.

Mr Martin, a film production manager, who was at RAF Lyneham in Wiltshire to see Mr McCarthy arrive home, said: "It was very seeing the plane taxi in and then John come out. We were just cheering 'Come on John, don't be shy' to get him out of the plane."

"I didn't get a chance to speak to him because he was whisked off... It was just great to see him."

Researchers leave puzzle unsolved

COULD John McCarthy's release, and his surprising good health after five years of hideous incarceration, have been a result of the power of prayer? After all, so many well-wishers, even in the usually godless parish of Fleet Street, offered their devotions on his behalf that waves of celestial goodwill may have penetrated his cell, like the BBC world service on a clear night.

Only one source would know for certain, and he is not normally available to give instant opinions at the end of a telephone on a Friday night in August.

Recent medical research in San Francisco, however, suggests that the ways in which the Almighty moves may not always be mysterious. Two hundred patients admitted with heart attacks to the coronary care unit of San Francisco general hos-

Alan Hamilton, asking if prayers for John McCarthy might have brought him through his ordeal, records a not-proven verdict.

pital over a six-month period were allocated a group of Born Again Christians, who said daily prayers on their behalf. Another 200 patients acted as a control group and were subjected to a regime devoid of divine intercession.

For them, evangelical helpmates joined the list of things coronary victims are not supposed to have, like strong drink, strenuous sexual activity, or quarter-pound hamburgers. Dr Randolph Byrd, who organised the study, reported that significantly

fewer of those patients being prayed for required ventilation, diuretics or antibiotics, and fewer were classified as having a bad outcome - cardiac arrest, stroke, further heart attack while in hospital, or death. "Intercessory prayer has a beneficial therapeutic effect," Dr Byrd concluded.

Sceptics will draw support from Francis Galton, the eminent Victorian scientist, who applied his mind to the proposition that prayers for the sick helped to effect a speedy recovery. He pointed out that no one had prayed for a long and healthy life said on their behalf more frequently than the royal family, he compiled a league table that showed that the life expectancy of its members was in fact below average.

The converse of the argument is that members of

HAVEN OF PEACE

Villagers celebrate and offer a quiet hideaway

By WILLIAM CASH AND RUPERT STEINER

IF JOHN McCarthy is looking for a remote and peaceful spot after his five years in captivity he will not have to go any further than his father's red brick vicarage in the sleepy and sequestered village of Cornish Hall, set in the depths of rural Essex.

The Horse and Groom pub, where his father Patrick regularly lunched every week, was unusually packed on Thursday night as the village joined in the McCarthy family's festivities.

The owner of the pub, Robin Need, aged 54, summed up the atmosphere: "Everyone was raising their glasses to John's freedom, it was the only topic of conversation all night."

Patrick McCarthy's two closest friends in the village, Colonel Donald Barker-Simpson and local farmer Harold Blewett, celebrated the release in front of the television with whisky and gin saying that they were saving the champagne until Patrick's arrival back home.

Mr Blewett, aged 66, who works a 600-acre farm, said that seeing the pictures of John on television was absolutely marvellous. He added, however, that the village did not want to get the celebration out of hand.

She thought it unlikely, as it was probably too close to London.

She said the telephone had not stopped ringing from well-wishers and that a steady number of faxes had arrived at the house. She added that she had not yet spoken to the McCarthy family and that she just wanted them to enjoy being together.

Yellow ribbons were still tied yesterday to gate posts and parish notice boards around the village, and to the entrance to the church where bells rang yesterday morning to mark John's new freedom.

A few yards away, in the driveway of the McCarthy house, a "Summer Memories" cassette lay on the rubber mat of the McCarthy family's white Rover. But for years John's release will always be the best summer memory of them all.

"Had he been born or brought up here it might have been different. And besides, this sort of village doesn't like poking its nose into other people's affairs." He was relieved to see that John looked so well. "After five years away, you'd expect he would be looking like a stick of celery."

Colonel Barker-Simpson, who moved to the village three years ago, said that John's release was tremendous. His wife Jennifer was yesterday helping to weed the garden which she said had fallen into neglect after the death of Mrs McCarthy, who found the garden a source of great joy.

Like most of the villagers, Mrs Barker-Simpson did not actually know John McCarthy. "It's quite a strange feeling really, but after five years it feels as if half the world knows John."

Asked whether he would be coming home to his father's vicarage, where he has a bedroom, to recuperate, Christine Ford, Patrick McCarthy's secretary, said that

FAMILIES WHO WAIT

Sister's reunion hopes still high

Cadiz, Kentucky - Peggy Say, sister of Terry Anderson, the Western hostage who has remained in captivity for the longest period, said yesterday she was packing her bags in the hope that she would soon be reunited with her brother.

Mr Anderson, aged 43, the chief Middle East correspondent of the Associated Press, has been held for nearly six and a half years.



Kit Sutherland: waiting for word of her father

Mrs Say said that she had received no new information about the prospects for his release, but she did not believe that the freeing of a second Western hostage depended on Israel's compliance with the demands made by John McCarthy's captors. Mr McCarthy, who was freed on Thursday, was given a letter by his captors to deliver to Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the United Nations secretary-general.

Mrs Say said that the hostage-takers want to maintain "a fever-pitch" of publicity over the release of the remaining Western hostages. She said yesterday that even if her brother is not released she will go to London to meet Mr McCarthy to learn more about her brother's captivity. She was due to fly to Washington last night to appear on week-end television shows.

The relatives of all those left in captivity were relieved to hear Mr McCarthy's accounts of the hostages' condition. The British hostage, who spent more than five years in captivity in Lebanon, said when he was released that Mr Anderson, Thomas Sutherland and Terry Waite had all given him the strength to endure the conditions. He said that the three men were "in good health and in good spirits".

Kit Sutherland, whose father, a university professor, was taken hostage in June 1985, said in an interview with *Colorado* radio: "That's certainly a relief, but we don't have any information so far as to how well he is." (AP)

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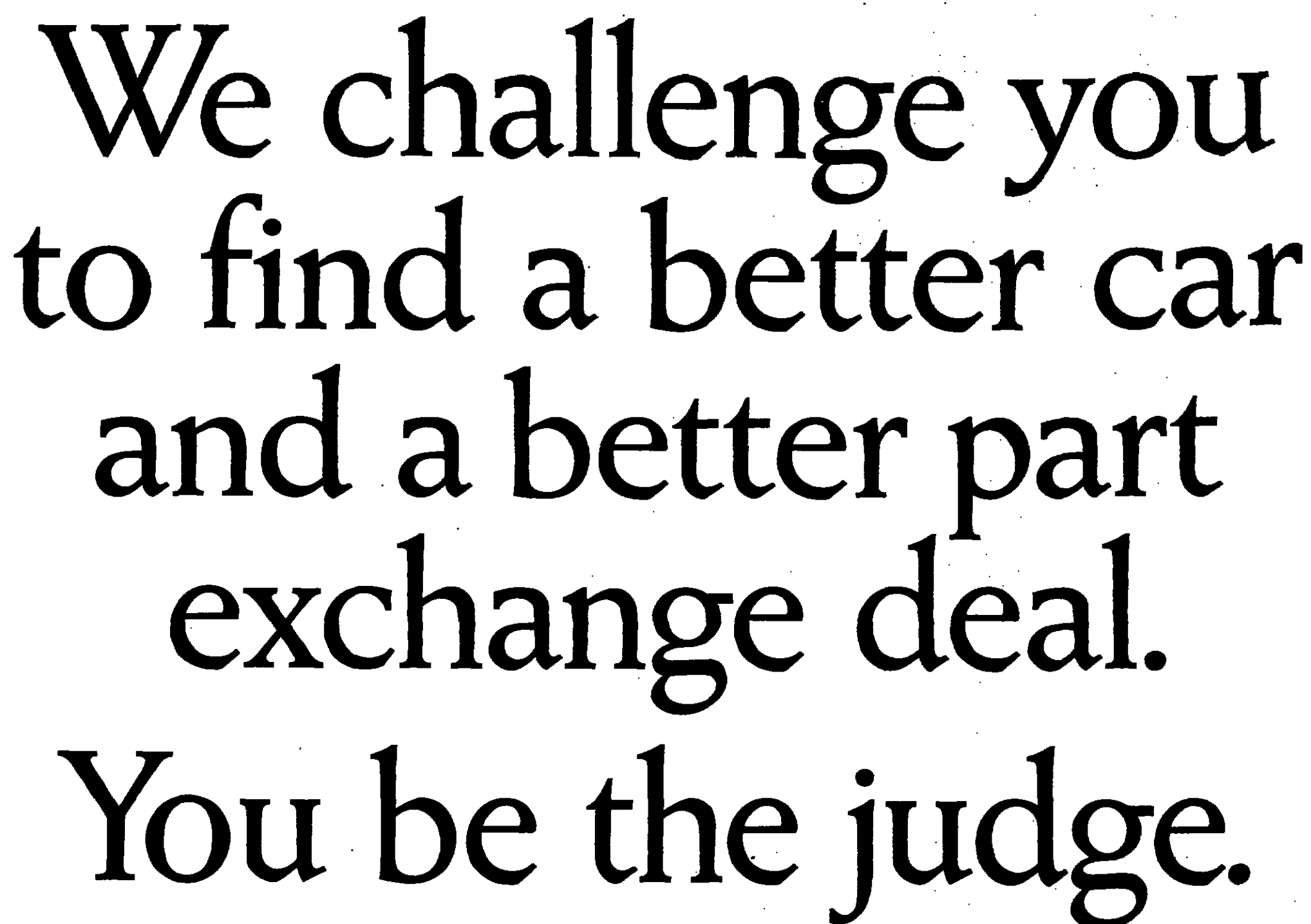
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Titans of chess gather to challenge Kasparov domination

TOMORROW the first round of the qualifying matches for the world chess championship will start in Brussels. The goal is to find a challenger to Gary Kasparov.

Britain is represented by Nigel Short, the UK's top ranked grandmaster, who is now playing better than ever. This candidates' series will have a special interest which has been lacking in the qualification cycle for some time. Previously, Anatoly Karpov had been almost certain to win and very little excitement attached to discovering the name of the eventual challenger.

However, it has become clear from recent events that Karpov is no longer in his best form and some even predict that he will go out in this quarter final against his young opponent, the Indian, Viswanathan Anand.

What lends added spice to this competition to decide the challenger is that Kasparov no longer appears to be as invincible as in former years. His relative failures in tournaments at Linares, Spain, in February and Amsterdam in May must surely encourage eight hopefuls gathering in Brussels to tilt at his crown.

The rules of the matches are that the winner in each

The search for a challenger to Gary Kasparov as world chess champion begins in Brussels tomorrow. Raymond Keene studies players in the qualifying matches

case will be the man who makes the better score from an initial set of eight games played at the rate of 40 moves in two hours followed by 20 moves in the next hour. Should that fail to produce a winner there will be further sets of two games, with each player having to make all moves in 45 minutes.

Britain's hopes rest with Nigel Short. He now has the experienced American grandmaster Lubosh Kavalek as his assistant. Short has finally overcome the psychological barrier of beating Jon Speelman in a qualifying match, albeit narrowly.

Short's shared victory with the Soviet grandmaster Valery Salov ahead of Kasparov and



Giants meet: players in the championship quarter finals, from left: Karpov, Ivanchuk, Yusupov, Korchnoi, Timman, Short

Karpov in the Enxe Memorial tournament in Amsterdam in May indicates that he is in tip-top form.

The full roster of matches in the world championship quarter finals is as follows: Karpov (USSR) v Anand (India); Anatoly Karpov, aged 40, was champion from 1975 to 1985 and has won a record number of first prizes in strong international tournaments. His world ranking is 2730, which places him number three in the world after a long spell as number two behind Kasparov. His marathon series of matches against Kasparov will go down in history as one of the greatest chess struggles.

His opponent Viswanathan Anand of India

is aged 22 and one of the brightest new superstars in the young generation. From being an average grandmaster just a year or so ago, he has shot up to number nine in the world with a hefty rating of 2650. He has played only one game against Karpov, which Anand won.

As Karpov gets older he is increasingly experiencing clock trouble in critical situations, while Anand plays at almost blitz speeds even in the most serious tournaments. After careful consideration I have come to the conclusion that Karpov's experience will probably tell in the long run. Karpov is also thirsting for revenge. There may be a surprise in

this match but I think Anand will have to pull out all the stops if he is to beat Karpov in an extended series.

Ivanchuk (USSR) - Yusupov (USSR): Vassily Ivanchuk, aged 22, a Russian, is the only player in the world who has beaten Kasparov and Karpov in the same tournament (at Linares this year) and his rise to the top has been meteoric. Many experts now regard Ivanchuk as the overall favourite in this candidates' cycle and some believe he will go on to defeat Kasparov in 1991. I have little doubt that Ivanchuk will easily dispatch Artur Yusupov, aged 31 and also a Russian, but now living in Munich and liable to transfer his loyalty to Germany.

Yusupov's record in recent candidates' tournaments has been excellent, but he lacks Ivanchuk's spark of genius and I cannot see him going the distance in Brussels.

Korchnoi (Switzerland) - Timman (Holland): Korchnoi at 60 is the amazing veteran of the chess world. Formerly Russian but now representing Switzerland, he has the enormous experience of having played two world championship encounters against Short, but in individual matches and has beaten every top player in the world today, at one time or another, including the legendary Bobby Fischer.

Jan Timman, aged 40, from The Netherlands, was for many years the highest-rated Western grandmaster.

Now at 2630 he is behind Speelman and Short.

Timman faces a tough challenge in Korchnoi, who has a substantial plus score against him.

Short (UK) - Gelfand (USSR): Last year Kasparov predicted that Gelfand, aged 23, would be the challenger but in recent tournaments and matches he has been quite unconvincing. His rating is 2665, five points ahead of Short, but in individual encounters against Short, Gelfand trails by one win against two. Gelfand had to struggle to reach this stage and a win for Short in this match would prove very popular. Short, aged 26, is now developing into a serious candidate to challenge

Kasparov and I would not rule out his chances against either Ivanchuk or Karpov in future contests. I rate Short the favourite to beat Gelfand in the quarter final.

Julian Hodgson, the 28-year-old grandmaster from London, has won the British chess championship at Eastbourne for the first time. He clinched the title with a last-round draw against his fellow grandmaster David Norwood from Bolton.

The Times is sponsoring nightly television reports throughout the ITV regions every day over the next two weeks reporting the daily results from Brussels the same day. Nigel Short's games will appear every day in The Times.

Commons report on lessons of Gulf conflict

Multination effort hailed as key to Operation Granby

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

AN ANATOMY of the multinational operation during the Gulf war shows how reliant Britain is on the support of allies, particularly America, and reinforces the view that Britain will not be involved in hostilities without the support of friends.

The defence select committee report, published yesterday, said that Romania sent a 200-bed hospital, Canada helped with the refuelling of British aircraft, Singapore provided a medical unit and Germany sent biological and chemical reconnaissance vehicles. With no desert clothing

or material in store at the outset of the Gulf confrontation, Turkey and Morocco provided some of the clothing with which British troops went to war.

The report on the preliminary lessons to be learned from Operation Granby said that the support of allies was crucial. It said that Romania sent a 200-bed hospital, Canada helped with the refuelling of British aircraft, Singapore provided a medical unit and Germany sent biological and chemical reconnaissance vehicles. With no desert clothing

While the Saudis provided modern airfields, unlimited fuel, and some food, water and transport, British forces were

also supported by a network of allies around the world. The report said that without the help of the host nation, Britain would have been stretched to provide logistic support. "It is questionable whether, without the host nation support and infrastructure available, the UK could have contemplated operations on anything like the same scale."

Dependence on America extended to the strategic and tactical co-ordination to include capabilities which were either unavailable to British forces or whose provision by others in the allied cause would have been a waste of resources. America, the report said, provided most satellite and airborne intelligence gathering and target acquisition, fixed-wing anti-armour capability, land attack cruise missiles and C-SA Galaxy aircraft, making 28 Galaxy sorties available to transport British helicopters.

Supply ships and oil from The Netherlands, Portugal, Australia and Kuwait supported Royal Navy vessels while Portugal provided 34 Hercules sorties, Belgium 25 and Spain two.

Attack depleted rest of forces

BRITAIN'S largest military expeditionary force since the ill-fated Suez venture involved a huge operation to deploy thousands of men and tons of equipment to the Gulf (Richard Ford writes).

A total of 45,000 servicemen and women, 15,000 vehicles and 400,000 tonnes of freight were sent. Most of the forces and equipment have returned to Britain and Germany.

The effects of sending such a large force was felt throughout the services with reduced training, longer tours of duty in the Falklands, the closure of two service hospitals and disruption to other service hospitals. Providing the best equipment effectively destroyed the capability of British forces in Germany, leaving spares and ammunition seriously depleted, according to the report.

Deploying four of the five

available landing ships and 18 Sea King helicopters meant a significant part of Britain's amphibious capability was in the Gulf. In addition, 95 per cent of the Royal Corps of Transport personnel were in the Gulf or elsewhere leaving REME stretched, and half of the army's tanker trucks, more than half of its stock of portable fuel tanks and all regular Royal Army Ordnance Corps petroleum platoons were used.

Defence ministry figures show that up until March 8 this year, when the recovery phase of Operation Granby began, 46,000 passengers had been moved by air.

Of the freight, 46,000 tonnes was deployed by air: 31,000 tonnes by RAF aircraft and 15,000 tonnes in a range of military aircraft provided by America, Belgium, Portugal and Spain as well as in chartered civilian aircraft.



Fact not fiction: Roy Race, player-manager of Manchester Rovers, signing the sponsorship deal watched by Sega representatives Simon Morris, left back, Nick Alexander, right forward, and Philip Ley, right back

A sponsor for Roy of the Rovers

By TIM JONES

ONE of the most closely guarded commercial deals in the history of soccer will be unveiled on Monday when Roy of the Rovers and the dynamic team he has led for almost 40 years begin the next football season with advertising legends on their shirts.

The magnitude of the deal between Manchester Rovers and Sega, the computer games console manufacturers, cannot be exaggerated. It is a commentary on these hard times that even the brilliance of Roy, the dynamic player-manager, cannot shield the team from the necessity of seeking outside financial help.

In addition to the Sega signs on their shirts, the company name will also be advertised on hoardings around the famous Mel Park stadium.

Philip Ley, marketing director of Sega Europe, said: "Roy is our greatest soccer legend and his exploits are followed by over 100,000 readers in Roy of the Rovers magazine every week."

Melchester's problems could, of course, be solved if it put Roy on the transfer list but that would amount to selling the family silver. Roy Race, who first put dubbin on his boots in the first edition of the Tiger in 1954, is a priceless amalgam of every soccer hero who ever lived. Not even George Best, Pele or Paul Gascoigne could be guaranteed to come on during extra time in a cup final and score a spectacular hat-trick.

But the price of fame and adulation has taken its toll on Roy with his Dorian Gray blond good looks although he has survived many personal tragedies including being left by his wife. Almost eight years ago he caused a big upset when, after an argument with chairman Sam Barlow, he left Melchester to join arch-rivals Watford Rovers as player-manager.

More seriously, five years ago, Brian Thomson, a race relations officer for Liverpool National Union of Teachers, reported Roy to the Commission for Racial Equality after an episode in which six players were killed in an Arab terrorist bomb attack.

Sisters are remanded in custody

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

TWO sisters were remanded in custody yesterday charged with the murder of Alison Shaughnessy, aged 21, a bank clerk found stabbed to death two months ago at her home in Battersea, southwest London.

Michelle Taylor, aged 20, a domestic assistant, and her sister Lisa, aged 18, a window cleaner, both of Forest Hill, southeast London, appeared before South Western magistrates' court. They were remanded in custody until August 16 but will not appear until August 23. No application was made for bail.

Mrs Shaughnessy, who had been married for less than a year, was found by her husband John, outside their flat. She had been stabbed more than a dozen times as she arrived home from work at a Barclays bank branch.

Adapting to winds of war

WHILE much of the world watched in awe at the use of precision guided munitions, older weapons were also deployed against Iraq (Richard Ford writes).

The naval gunfire from second world war US battleships pounded Iraq's positions while the RAF dropped 4,500 1,000lb iron bombs. There were hurried modifications, improvisations and early procurement of equipment to cope with a desert conflict when planning had been based on a conflict in Europe.

Royal Navy ships and aircraft had to be fitted with a new navigational system to overcome the difficulties caused by the low, indistinct desert coastline and additional armour was fitted to Challenger, Warrior and other armoured vehicles.

Sandfilters were fitted to Lynx helicopters and Challenger tanks while cockpit covers, to protect against the sun and abrasion, were fitted to Lynx and Gazelle helicopters.

In spite of the sophisticated weaponry, the report shows that a soldier's diet is still a high priority for the military planners. A field kitchen produced 16,000 sausage rolls a day while the ban on alcohol removed disciplinary problems. During the six months in which 45,000 British forces were in the Gulf, there was only one court martial.

GULF WAR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE	
Belgium	Medical unit
Canada	100 bed hospital
Denmark	Medical team
Netherlands	Medical unit
New Zealand	Medical unit
Norway	50 bed hospital
Romania	200 bed hospital
Singapore	Medical unit
Sweden	380 bed hospital

Source: The Defence Committee

Harriers grounded by fires

PEACETIME flights by most of the RAF's Harrier jump jet fleet have been suspended after unexplained fires on two aircraft.

The GR5 and GR7 versions of the aircraft will be restricted to combat missions until the causes of the fires have been found. Deliveries from British Aerospace of the GR7 version of the jet have also been suspended.

The decision to ground the aircraft is disclosed in next week's Jane's Defence Weekly magazine. The order came into effect on July 29, the

magazine said, after a small fire in a GR5 at RAF Wittering, Cambridgeshire. "It was the similarity of this incident to an in-flight fire in a Harrier GR7 at RAF Gutersloh, in Germany, on July 16 that led the RAF to the radical step of banning its GR5s and GR7s from all further flying except 'operational sorties' - actual combat missions."

The magazine said that, according to defence ministry sources, there was a "strong suspicion" that the two fires were linked to an incident on

May 29 when another Harrier based at Gutersloh crashed. The pilots of all three aircraft escaped unharmd.

The defence ministry confirmed that GR5s and GR7s were restricted to operational sorties. A spokesman added: "There were two incidents recently involving a GR5 and a GR7 in which there was a malfunction of the aircraft's electrical systems."

Older Harrier GR3s and Royal Navy Sea Harriers had different electrical systems and were not affected, the spokesman said.

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Patients' charter will have strict limits on waiting times



Waldegrave: in favour of stringent guidelines

By JILL SHERMAN
SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

TOUGH targets to reduce the time that people have to wait for outpatient appointments will be included in the patients' charter, to be published next month.

Most health authorities will be expected to achieve a 13-week maximum waiting time for a first non-urgent appointment, although local flexibility will be allowed. A recent public accounts committee report showed that some patients were waiting up to 72 weeks.

Guidelines are expected to be sent out by the health service management executive, asking health authorities to set their own targets, where possible under 13 weeks, which should be published in hospital outpatient departments. Hospitals will also be expected to set a limit to the time a patient has to wait for a consultation once at the hospital. Other time limits may be set to cover waiting for x-rays and to pick up prescriptions at hospital pharmacies.

The patients' charter, which builds on the prime minister's citizen's charter, is understood to include guarantees for patients who have had their appointments cancelled because of a hospital's inactivity, to ensure that they are treated as a priority. The charter is

The lot of the patient has been under scrutiny at top level. Jill Sherman looks at the changes that have resulted

also expected to include pledges covering the elderly, the mentally ill and the mentally handicapped. One idea under consideration is to give a guarantee that elderly patients still in acute beds in a district general hospital after a certain period will be given alternative accommodation for rehabilitation, rather than staying for months in an inappropriate environment. The drive to improve outpatient waiting times will dovetail with

the two-year guarantee for hospital treatment announced last month in the citizen's charter. Under the scheme, any patient who has waited over two years for treatment will be able to have an operation within three months either in the health service or the private sector. Regional health authorities will have to hold contingency reserves to fund the extra operations although those are expected to be minimal.

Although there are a million people on health service waiting lists, only 40,000 have been waiting over a year. The target is considered achievable in most areas although difficult in London, which has some of the longest lists. Health officials concede that the scheme could mean slightly longer waits for thousands of patients who are now only waiting three months or so for treatment.

Health ministers and department officials have been exploring whether a national guarantee for an outpatient appointment within 13 weeks could be offered in parallel to the two-year guarantee. Many people have argued that the

inpatient guarantee means little if people have to wait over a year just to see a consultant.

However, as there are 40 million outpatient consultations every year, William Waldegrave, the health secretary, considers a national guarantee for that could be unrealistic. He has opted instead for stringent guidelines to be monitored by the management executive. The 13-week target, already achieved by two or three regions, will be considered as an outer limit.

The patients' charter will include sections on providing more information for patients about their conditions and treatment.

Summer takes heat out of promised holiday offensive

WHILE Parliament was still sitting, both parties were promising a growing press corps that there would be no let-up in the summer recess. In practice, we have been spared another Tory attempt to direct "summer heat" on Labour.

The most heavyweight effort lately has been a press conference called by John Patten, Home Office minister, and Chris Patten, the party chairman, to tell us how little the government planned to do by way of constitutional change. Labour, too, has eased off its relentless programme of recycling policy documents. When Walworth Road offers you Labour's policy for design and its ideas on country sports, you know it is August in politics too.

Labour, so positive for so long, appears to have lost momentum since being denied the June election for which its efforts had originally been timed. The party now appears to be struggling for new ideas and is clearly edgy at signs of some Tory recovery in the polls. It is concentrating instead on harrasing the government over the issues running strongly in the media.



By ROBIN OAKLEY

BCCL, the Brixton escape, sensitive exports to Iraq.

The Tory strategy is somewhat different. The government has some way to go to reach a position in the opinion polls which would reopen the option of an autumn election. Past practice has shown that government popularity tends to increase in the parliamentary holiday, and thus there is a vested interest in keeping down the political temperature.

Having recaptured some political initiative before the House rose, with the launch of the citizen's charter, attacks on Labour's trade union connections and a costing of Labour's programme, ministers are now getting to a pattern of demonstrating quietly that government activity goes on, while easing off the aggression pedal. Thus we have seen a series of small, detailed follow-ups to the citizen's charter, an announcement on the Open University, a paper on local government management, and a new advisory group on renewable energy sources. Good solid material from your friendly neighbourhood ministers.

Although there is some more bashing of Labour and the unions to come from Michael Howard, the one high-risk exception to this policy so far has been the announcement from the capable junior health minister, Stephen Dorrell, a man clearly destined for higher things, that the government will go ahead with another wave of hospital opt-outs in the autumn.

That represents more than just government determination to stick with a hard-to-isolate the first wave of opt-outs. It demonstrates Tory confidence that the party's "big lie" attacks on Labour after the Monmouth by-election, where opt-outs became a big issue, have succeeded in defusing the health issue, in spite of the blip it caused in

the opinion polls at the time. The unseason political battle now is the nervous struggle to assume control of the political agenda.

Labour's campaigns and initiatives concentrate on the social issues: on health, education and unemployment. Neil Kinnock's party generally does well when those subjects top the list of public concerns, so Labour strategists see the government's action as a welcome bonus. With stage three of the second wave of hospital opt-outs due next April, Labour believes it can replay the battle over health reforms to great effect in time for a spring election. Education, it says, will return to the top of the political agenda as schools go back in the autumn, and unemployment will be with us willy-nilly until well after the next election.

Labour campaigners predict a troublesome session ahead for the government as parliamentary select committees return in the autumn to get their teeth into affairs such as the BCCI, prison escapes and Iraqi exports, and as the council tax bill exposes remaining Tory worries over the poll tax replacement. Meanwhile, we will see fewer Labour press conferences, but many more shadow ministerial speeches emphasising the quality of the Kinnock team.

So why should the government risk raising the profile of health once again? Partly because ministers really do believe that they are on a winner in terms of improved customer service. Partly because the longer the health issue plays before an election, the less prominent it is likely to be in the course of the campaign.

There is one other factor. What all the polls show is that the electorate still rates the Conservatives more highly than Labour in terms of their ability to manage the economy. But, for the moment, Norman Lamont is a lone voice against the massed battalions of industry, banks and small businesses in predicting an upturn in the second half of this year.



A lot of hot air: crowds watch balloons of every shape taking off early yesterday at the start of the biggest gathering outside the US

Early birds set the dawn sky alight

By RAY CLANCY

A RIOT of colour exploded over Bristol at dawn yesterday as balloonists took to the skies to mark the beginning of the annual International Balloon Fiesta.

More than 100 balloons, including Rupert Bear and a large number of beer cans, floated above the city as householders still wearing nightclothes ran into their gardens to view the spectacle. Ask any of the 130 pilots in this year's fiesta to explain the attraction of ballooning and each replies — "the freedom". The sensation of being alone with the elements at anything from 500ft to 1,500ft makes up for the hours of waiting on the ground for everything to be perfect for a flight. "If you don't like hanging around there is no point in

being a balloon pilot," said Richard Turnbull, who flies the B&Q balloon for Flying Pictures, a Surrey-based company that manages many of the strange shapes that now take to the sky.

Twenty years ago a balloon was a balloon. It was round and it floated in the air. The arrival of a goliwig in 1976 changed all that and suddenly the early morning and evening skies were filled with an array of technology and imagination have combined, according to the pilots, to make ballooning one of the great fun things to do. The fiesta began over a glass of beer in a Bristol pub 13 years ago and has now turned into the biggest annual meeting outside the United States.

Nellist makes a last-ditch plea

By JOHN WINDER

DAVE Nellist is appealing over the heads of the 29-member Labour national executive to rank-and-file members, in a last-ditch attempt to prevent his expulsion from the party next month for allegedly supporting Militant.

Mr Nellist, left wing Labour MP for Coventry South East, has asked the constituency parties of the MPs serving on the NEC, and the executive committees of union leaders on it, to give him a personal hearing. The move will be seen by some as an attempt to undermine their positions, but it is possible that more than one constituency party will respond to his written appeal.

Mr Nellist's action was seen among anti-Militant at Westminster yesterday as a desperate attempt in the face of

their determination to rid the party of Militant influence. The phrasing of the letter will not endear him to his opponents. He says that the over-riding mood of party members is to unite and face the common enemy, the Tory government that has inflicted 12 years of hardship on the people it represents. He adds, however: "Unfortunately it seems that some members of the NEC do not share this mood."

Mr Nellist said yesterday that he hoped that constituency parties would give a hearing to him or to Terry Fields, MP for Liverpool, Broadgreen, who is facing similar action. Mr Fields is serving a 60-day prison sentence after refusing to pay his poll tax.

Baby's ribs broken by father

A man of 19 who broke seven of his baby's ribs by punching the child was yesterday sentenced to two years in a young offenders' institution.

The unemployed man, from Bradford, West Yorkshire, appeared for sentencing after being found guilty at Leeds crown court last month of causing grievous bodily harm and actual bodily harm. He had denied the charges. The judge ordered that the child should not be identified.

Kidnap enquiry

Eight men and two women are being questioned by detectives hunting the kidnapers of the Tesco store manager James Andrews and his family.

Higgins arrested

Alex "Hurricane" Higgins, the snooker player, was released on police bail after being arrested at Uttoxeter racecourse in Staffordshire for alleged threatening and abusive conduct. He will learn later if he is to be charged.

M1 closed

The M1 was closed for three hours when tar-like coal slurry gushing 15ft into the air from a damaged pipe coated cars near Chesterfield, Derbyshire.

£4,200 award

An hotel waitress who resigned after her hours and duties were changed because she was pregnant was awarded £4,234 compensation by a Glasgow industrial tribunal.

Invasions of pitches outlawed

PITCH invasions by football hooligans should become a thing of the past under powers which come into force today to coincide with the start of the new season (Peter Muligan writes).

Measures to curb the activities of hooligans could lead to fines of £1,000 under the Football Offences Act 1991 passed earlier this year in line with the recommendations by Lord Justice Taylor into the disaster at Hillsborough when 91 people died.

From today, it will be an offence to throw any object on to the pitch or into any spectator area, run on to the pitch without good reason or chant indecent or racist slogans. The fines come on top of existing court powers to issue exclusion and restriction orders preventing hooligans from attending matches.

Peter Lloyd, the junior Home Office minister, made clear yesterday that magistrates should use their new powers to end unacceptable behaviour at grounds. "This in turn will complement the work of the police in their efforts to combat football hooliganism. The new offences and tougher penalties will play their part in freeing our national winter sport of the unsavoury minority who have done so much to damage its image in the past."

Conran pledges cash to struggling design museum



Sir Terence: contribution to museum will continue

By SIMON TAIT
ARTS CORRESPONDENT

SIR Terence Conran has made a new financial commitment to the Design Museum, which he set up two years ago, to help it out of difficulties.

Faced with an expected 25 per cent drop in income to £1.5 million, the trustees agreed this week to make redundant five of its 32 staff, to freeze next year's exhibition programme, to slim its publishing operation and to reduce the library service. Appeals have also been made to the government for support.

David Carter, chairman of the

trustees, said that the board was keeping faith with the museum and that closure had not been considered. "We have not reacted in an emotional way by assuming that, because income is not keeping up, that things are going drastically wrong," he said. "This is a very high-powered staff. It is inconceivable that there is no audience for our exhibitions." Attendances are actually rising, with 170,000 visits so far this year, 1.5 per cent more than last year.

Mr Carter denied that the situation had arisen because Sir Terence, who is a member of the board, was

withdrawing support. "We are actually benefiting from more generosity from him," he said.

The museum, the first in the world to be dedicated to industrial and household design, was opened by Margaret Thatcher in July 1989. It was built at the Butler's Wharf docklands complex at a cost of £7 million. Finance came from Sir Terence's Conran Foundation, which gave a further £500,000 a year for its first three years. The period ends next March, but Mr Carter said that the foundation would contribute £200,000 a year for the following

three years. Funds also came from London Docklands Development Corporation and the Arts Council, while the trade and industry department gave £650,000 over three years, also ending next March.

Two weeks ago, Helen Rees, the museum's director, and Sir Terence met Edward Leigh, an industry minister, to ask for an extra £150,000 for next year. A response is expected next month after the museum's finances have been examined. Approaches have also been made to the arts minister and to the education department.

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Serpent's nest of territorial trouble lies at the river's end



Ceausescu, the executed Romanian dictator, could never see the sense of so

THE Danube ends in a labyrinth, emptying into that most political of waters, the Black Sea. Navigation through the uncharted canals of the delta towards the coast is a task best left to the local Lipovenian fishermen in their sturdy black boats.

The gate-way to the delta is Tulcea, in most respects a typical Romanian industrial town where factories process fish and mash paper. From Tulcea the Danube divides into three. The northernmost branch has its mouth near the Soviet border. The middle arm is the most direct, running straight through the delta, and is deep enough to accommodate the freighters chugging between the Black Sea and Tulcea. The southern strand makes its way to the sea in a spider-web of canals.

Ceausescu, the executed Romanian dictator, could never see the sense of so

Roger Boyes ends his journey down the Danube at Tulcea, where the gentle delta people are embroiled in power politics

much water, about 1,740 square miles, and embarked on a drainage scheme to turn much of the delta into farmland. "Economic lunacy," Professor Nicolae Dobrovici, a delta scholar, says. "It would never have worked, but nobody could say so publicly."

When work began the clamour of dredgers and drills scared away many of the delta's fabled pelicans and cormorants. The new regime of President Iliescu, dropped the scheme and the



wildfowl are now as spectacular as ever. But fish are dying because of upriver damming and the uncontrolled use of chemical fertilisers by farmers. The delta people are Lipovenians first, Romanians a distant second. Their ancestors fled from religious persecution in Russia in the 18th century; bright, self-aware craftsmen who refused to pray for the tsar. Other Romanians manage the factories and the town council, but Bucharest seems very far away. The 1989 Romanian revolution passed the town by. Mostly the same people are in charge and there are few of the private shops that now adorn Bucharest's boulevards. Unexpectedly, the gentle delta people now find themselves embroiled in complex power politics.

About 25 miles off the northern mouth of the Danube there is the craggy, uninhabited Serpent's Island. Covering about 42 acres, it lacks fresh water. Historically it has belonged to the

state that controls the delta. Under Ottoman control for centuries, it passed to the Russians when they annexed the delta in 1829 under the Treaty of Adrianople. During the Crimean war, when the island served as a staging post for the Anglo-French fleet, it reverted to Ottoman control. The 1878 Berlin Treaty awarded the delta and Serpent's Island to Romania, and Romanians had a garrison there until 1945.

Then there was confusion. The 1947 Paris Peace Treaty confirmed the Romanian-Soviet border which should have left Serpent's Island in Romanian hands. But a Soviet-Romanian protocol the next year divided the territorial waters in a way that awarded Serpent's Island to Moscow.

The island had considerable strategic importance in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Control of the

island gave power over the shipping route which took Western commercial ships from the Black Sea into the Danube delta and on to the heart of Europe.

The Soviet navy now maintains tracking equipment on the island but it has lost its former strategic value. Instead, it may prove to be economically significant since Romania extracts oil and gas from the continental shelf near by.

Possession of the island has become an issue again. When President Iliescu signed a friendship treaty with Moscow last spring he suggested that President Gorbachev was willing to yield the island. Romania has been the only post-communist state to sign a friendship treaty with the Soviet Union agreeing not to enter into an alliance hostile to Moscow.

Poland, Czechoslovakia

and Hungary, though anxious to settle relations with their big eastern neighbour say that such a clause would seriously infringe their sovereignty. Romania is thus hoping for an appropriate reward from Moscow, one that might ease the way to the bigger prize of union with Moldavia, the Romanian-speaking Soviet republic. Such are the fantasies of Romanian nationalists.

But *Sovetskaya Rossiya*, the hardline Moscow newspaper, has already made plain that Serpent's Island must be held. There is a diplomatic tug-of-war underway. If the Romanians win back the island, the life of the delta people will change. A new ferry route, oil prospectors, a military garrison, perhaps: the delta would once again have a presence in the Black Sea. And then who will be able to say where the great Danube ends?

Albanian refugees riot in attempt to escape return home

From PAUL BOMPARD IN ROME

ALBANIAN refugees held in a football stadium in Bari broke through police lines yesterday after pelting officers with rubble from the top of the stands. Two Albanians were shot and several were cut or stabbed in various fights among themselves and with the police. Police said many of the refugees had weapons.

Witnesses said the police fired into the air when hundreds of Albanians tried to escape during the night. But Italian state television suggested that the two Albanians were wounded during fights between rival groups.

Amid constant outbreaks of rioting, army units were yesterday helping the police to contain and control an estimated 15,000 Albanians who crossed the Adriatic to southern Italy this week. The Italian government has announced that all the refugees will be

sent back immediately, a decision which has enraged many. Some are suffering from exposure, lack of food and temperatures above 90°F.

Military aircraft and ferries yesterday began taking the refugees home. But, given the large numbers involved, and their unwillingness to return, the operation could take some time. One ferry was refused permission to dock in Tirana by the Albanian authorities. Vincenzo Scotti, the Italian interior minister, openly accused the Albanian government of allowing the exodus to force Italy to increase economic aid.

Earlier this week Italy began to send home most of the 20,000 Albanians who came to Italy in March. At that time it was decided that all those who had not found a home and a job by July would have to go back, and that no new arrivals would be accepted.

The worst rioting took place in Bari, where about 11,000 refugees are being held in appalling conditions. Three thousand have been kept on the wharf since Thursday, another 8,000 were herded into the football stadium, which they vandalised. At intervals, groups of Albanians would break out of the stadium and run towards the city. The police do not know how many escaped, but said that most were caught and returned to await a military airlift home.

The largest wave from Albania arrived in Bari on Thursday. More than 10,000 men, women and children were

crammed aboard the *Vlora*, a rusty 9,000-ton merchant ship. The refugees were crammed on the decks and superstructure and clung in bunches to derricks and masts. Dozens jumped into the sea to elude police before the ship docked and at least one was drowned.

Yesterday there were further reports that another ship with several thousand more Albanians was on its way to Italy. Three Italian navy ships and several aircraft are patrolling the Adriatic, but as Margherita Boniver, the immigration minister, said on Thursday, "we have no intention of opening fire on these boat people."

President Cossiga said yesterday: "Diplomatic efforts by Italy and the European Community, as well as the Italian armed forces can staunch the biblically tragic vicissitudes of the Albanian refugees."

There were reports that another two Albanian ships packed with refugees had been refused permission to dock in Malta and were drifting six miles northwest of Valletta.

● Geneva: The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees yesterday urged the international community to rush aid to Albania to stem a new mass exodus.

Sadako Ogata appealed for "massive and immediate humanitarian assistance" to help Albania to "bridge this period of transition while undergoing political and economic reforms". (AP)



Tough stand: an Italian policeman, truncheon at the ready, guarding an Albanian refugee in Bari yesterday while colleagues move among other refugees behind him

Bakhtiar trusted his killer

From JOHN PHILLIPS IN PARIS

SHAPOUR Bakhtiar, the former Iranian prime minister, lay dead at his Paris home for at least 36 hours before he was discovered by French police supposed to be guarding him, embarrassed police officials disclosed yesterday.

Post-mortem examinations on his body and that of Kaibeh Fallouh, his senior aide showed that they were killed between 36 and 48 hours before police discovered the bodies on Thursday morning. The two men were last seen in public on Tuesday afternoon, but police guarding the villa at Suresnes, on the outskirts of Paris, did not immediately suspect anything was amiss.

Officers also said yesterday that they are searching for three Iranian men who visited the former prime minister's home. They said one of the three was believed to have acted as a "Trojan horse" in the assassination of the two opponents of the radical Tehran regime.

The suspect, named as Farouq Boyer Ahmadi, was described as a farmer who had rented land in Iran from Dr Bakhtiar. It appears he was trusted by both Dr Bakhtiar and his son, a police inspector. His name appeared on a list kept by the police of about 15 people who visited Dr Bakhtiar frequently and were considered beyond suspicion.

The other two suspects were named as Vahidi Rad and Azadi Muhammad. They flew into Paris from Tehran in July and probably submitted false papers at Dr Bakhtiar's house.

Police searched the three men before they entered the building. A bread knife and a meat cleaver found near the bodies of the two victims are thought to have been taken from Dr Bakhtiar's kitchen. The assassins cut both men's throats, making no noise that would alert police outside. Then they calmly left the house.

Police searched Mr Ahmadi's homes in Paris and Reims, eastern France, and questioned the mother of his young child. Both his common-law wife and his landlady said they had not seen him for several days. The registration number of his orange BMW had been distributed and border controls have been tightened.

Yugoslavia rejects observer request

By GERARD DAVIES IN PRAGUE AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

YUGOSLAVIA has opposed a request from senior European diplomats to send observers to the centre of the fighting in Croatia. Officials attending the final day of the two-day emergency talks of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe here yesterday were forced to compromise on an agreement to enlarge the 46-strong mission now in Slovenia.

Yesterday Germany, in a gesture of support for Croatia and Slovenia, said it would reintroduce export credit guarantees for the two rebel republics. Bonn suspended credit guarantees for Yugoslavia on June 25.

The European officials ap-

pealed to all Yugoslav parties to co-operate in maintaining the two-day ceasefire and asked the European Community to continue its search for peace. Egon Lansky, of the Czechoslovak foreign ministry, said the agreement was an important step towards getting observers into the war-torn breakaway republic.

In Zagreb, Dr Franjo Tudjman, the Croatian president, said any peacekeeping force could be stationed only along Croatia's borders and not between the combatants. He said the world should quickly recognise Croatia and foreign pressure should be kept up on Serbia. "The army is reinforcing. We are expecting a massive attack."

The European officials ap-

Soviet troops turn to crime in search of ticket to West

From IAN MURRAY IN BONN

SOVIET soldiers in the former East Germany are deliberately seeking arrest as the surest way of escaping to the West. With the KGB leading a big drive against desertions among the 330,000 Soviet troops left in the country, those seeking asylum are openly stealing cars and shoplifting in the hope that they will be caught and held in a German prison.

Others are going absent without leave or absconding with their equipment to seek political asylum. The delicate diplomatic problem threatens the good relations Bonn wants to maintain with Moscow.

So far none of the 300 or so deserters reported has been

granted asylum and for two good reasons. Each deserter allowed to stay would indicate that the German government accepts that there is political persecution under President Gorbachev. Moreover, if asylum is granted too easily, thousands more troops might add to the flow of unwanted refugees the government is trying to reduce.

The threat of mass desertion has been growing since unification, with Soviet troops tempted by the relatively wealthy capitalist society and alarmed by reports about conditions at home. The Soviet Union is committed to sending all its troops home by 1994. The men leave the army

for mainly economic reasons, although they become political refugees through the mere act of desertion.

Bonn is ready to give some help. The interior ministry has advised state governments in the east that all deserters should be transferred to the west so that they are not snatched by a KGB unit set up specially to track them down. Oleg Ljajin, a Soviet lawyer appointed by Mr Gorbachev to examine discontent in the army, confirmed recently that such a unit operated in what was West Germany. The KGB is reported to have tried to take relatives of those seeking asylum to blackmail them into giving themselves up.

Nowhere are the economic changes now under way more apparent than in his home city of Saigon (as Ho Chi Minh City is still known to the locals) where the authorities are now allowing many Chinese, formerly the city's economic life-blood, once again to become large-scale traders.



For the only candidate presented to the national assembly

● Peking - Shanghai police have arrested two unnamed Britons accused of trafficking in marijuana. The arrests came after the Shanghai intermediate people's court said it would sentence Mark Baber, an Oxford university student, arrested in March for alleged marijuana possession. (AFP)

● Istanbul - The ten German tourists held captive by the military wing of the separatist Kurdish Workers party were freed yesterday. The separatists, operating in the east of Turkey, had abducted the Germans at midnight from a camp site beside a remote crater lake a week ago.

● Buenos Aires - Police found a weapons cache and telephone equipment near the home of President Carlos Menem, following what may have been a plot to kill him. An official confirmed that they had seized handguns and rifles, as well as explosives, but did not say if arrests were made. (AFP)

● Madrid - Fire-fighting planes, police and forestry units battled a huge blaze between the Costa del Sol and Ronda. The fire destroyed 24 miles of countryside and was threatening villages and villas. Three other fires raged in Valencia, Castellon and Huesca provinces, making 1991 Spain's worst ever year for forest fires.

● Appeal rejected - St George's, Grenada - A court here has rejected an appeal for a permanent stay of execution by 14 people sentenced to hang for the 1983 killing of Maurice Bishop, the prime minister, and nine others. The killings occurred during the coup out short by an American-led military invasion of the country. (AP)

● Army advances - Colombo - Sri Lankan troops continued an advance on positions held by Tamil rebels near the northern Elephant Pass army camp, officials said. Six soldiers and dozens of rebels were killed. The Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam were also reported to have killed seven Muslim farmers in eastern Amparai. (AFP)

Playing fast and loose with the memory of Tito

BELGRADE NOTEBOOK by Anne McElvoy

One voice that has been conspicuous by its silence in the clamorous debate on Yugoslavia's future is that of President Tito's formidable widow, Jovanka Broz.

Manoeuvred out of her position of influence by Tito's advisers in 1976, because they feared that she harboured ambitions to succeed him, she was placed under virtual house arrest after the dictator's death in 1980. She has been confined to the gilded cage of a splendid walled mansion next to the federal palace.

When I visited her, the gates were opened by a burly retainer who, without even

listening to the request, was sure that Madame Broz would want nothing to do with it. The permission of the president would be necessary for such a sensitive visit, he said disingenuously.

Tito is not held in fond memory by the nationalist Serbs who now have the upper hand in Belgrade, both because he was a Croat and because his grand federal design was intended to keep Serbia in check. However, in spite of the government's attempts to erase the dictator's memory, he is undergoing something of a revival in popularity. His more repressive habits have faded from popular recollec-

tion, with many people bemoaning his demise as the beginning of Yugoslavia's descent into chaos.

Anxious to stop sentimental journeys to his grave

and memorial outside Belgrade, the government has closed them to the public. The same military guard which used to be present to honour the war hero is now stationed there to keep the public out.

While the Serb authorities do their best to forget Tito, the army is steadfastly refusing to have its patron taken from them. The military museum features a gigantic bronze statue of the partisan leader and displays his selection of uniforms, guns and even his favourite cigarette cases.

The purpose of the modern federal army, the museum's literature says, is to

"oppose successfully the external armed forces of aggression and to win victory in that struggle". It fails to offer guidance on how the "heirs to Tito's glory" should deal with troublesome enemies within.

There are few holds barred in newspaper wars anywhere, but rarely are they fought with such intensity as in Yugoslavia now. *Borba*, a Belgrade daily, has had a hundred of its kiosks in Croatia blown up in the past month. The newspaper says that this has cost 25 million dinars (£500,000).

Still worse, *Borba's* entire

Croatian sales and advertising operations, based in war-torn Osijek, have become overnight the property of the Croatian newspaper *Glas Slavonije*. "It wasn't even a hostile takeover bid," said a *Borba* spokesman. "Their management just walked in one day, accompanied by a posse of Croatian policemen and demanded that we turn over our cash to them."

The task of presenting the federalist viewpoint is, however, deemed more important than mere profit. Despite the fact that its revenue is flowing straight into enemy coffers, *Borba* intends to keep circulating in Croatia.

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Broz: her mansion has become a gilded cage

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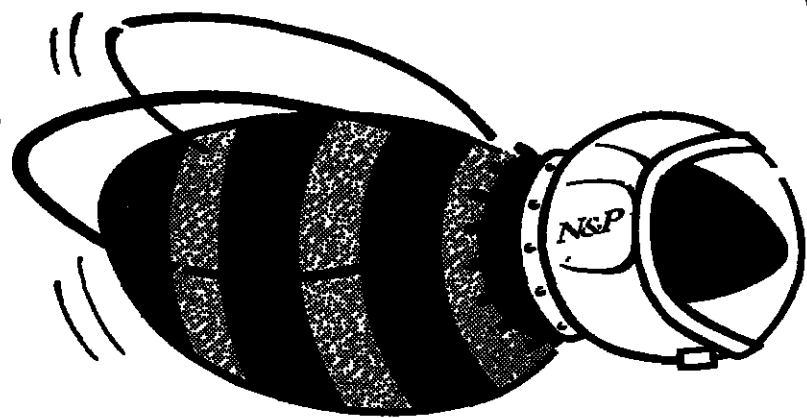
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DISCIPLINE OF THE PRESS

The *People* newspaper was criticised by the Press Complaints Commission on Thursday for "flagrant contempt" of the system of self-regulation operated by the press, both for its publication of a picture of the Duke of York's naked baby daughter, Princess Eugenie, and for its conduct afterwards. On the same day *The Times* was criticised for failing to give an adequate and prompt retraction of an untrue story about the MP Bernie Grant, an adjudication we published in full yesterday.

The Press Complaints Commission is six months old. Do these two judgments, and those given earlier, show that press self-regulation is proving an adequate answer to those who continue to hanker after statutory control of journalistic ethics? The answer, sadly, is "not yet". A final judgment depends on the answers to two further questions. First, has the general level of newspaper conduct improved as a result of the establishment of the commission, and of other remedial action taken within the industry? Second, is the commission itself an effective restraint on press conduct? If the answer to either question is no, then the press's best — and possibly last — line of resistance to statutory regulation is not holding up under the pressure.

The second question is the more worrying. The publication of a picture of a naked baby without the permission of its parents is not a grievous lapse into immorality, more in the category of a severe discourtesy. But *The People* by its behaviour since it received the complaint, has put the commission itself in jeopardy. Instead of responding according to the agreed procedures, it used the complaint from the Duke of York as an opportunity for a circulation-building stunt.

Under the heading "Come on Andy... where is your sense of fun?" it invited its readers to phone in to say whether they found the picture, which it republished alongside one of the Duke of York himself also in the nude, offensive or not. As the Press Complaints Commission points out, apart from the breach of faith with other editors by a defiance of procedures they had all agreed to when the commission was constituted, the complaint was not about

offensiveness per se but about an invasion of privacy. And that it manifestly was. *The Times*, like other papers of its kind, does not face the same temptations as a tabloid. Apart from professional honour, it judges its interests to lie in the observance of the accepted standards of journalistic conduct. It regrets its error in Mr Grant's case, and indeed would do so irrespective of criticism from the Press Complaints Commission. *The People* glories in its defiance, making a mockery of the commission.

That is not its business alone. The concordat between national newspapers which brought the commission into existence depends on every newspaper observing it. That at least was the clear conclusion of the Calcutt committee, the progenitor of the Press Complaints Commission. If the discipline of self-regulation were no longer accepted by all national newspaper editors without exception, clamour for statutory restraint, bringing journalistic activity under the sanction of statute, would grow. And a law on privacy would be first in the queue.

The ethical performance of national newspapers has in general been gradually improving. Most have taken the threat of legislation sufficiently seriously to adjust their behaviour. It is probably no coincidence that the Press Complaints Commission is receiving fewer complaints, on average, than the Press Council which preceded it. Apart from the Princess Eugenie affair the commission can point to only one other serious breach, committed by the *News of the World* against the MP Clare Short. The *News of the World* played by the rules, published the adverse adjudication, and did not make capital out of it.

The press is well aware that in trying to ward off legislation it cannot count too readily on public sympathy. No political party has rejected the legislative option. There is a real danger that they might start to outbid each other in the design of strait-jackets. But statutory regulation would hamper all newspapers in their proper functions as much as it hampered some in their improper ones. It would be a delight to all those with something infamous to hide and a grave blow to the freedom of the press.

FIREPOWER NOT MANPOWER

The report of the Commons defence committee on Operation Granby published yesterday does not add up to an indictment of last month's defence white paper, or even of the reductions to the strength of the regular army it contains. This will not prevent its being treated as a significant milestone in the opposition to the proposed cuts in frontline army manpower.

The report underlines what everybody knew: for all the operation's undoubted success, it showed that Britain's defence capability was severely stretched by its commitment in the Gulf. Once the Options for Change programme is complete, a similar operation would have to rely far more heavily on reserves. Even fewer forces would remain available to Nato.

Yet to concentrate on manpower would be wasting ammunition on the wrong target. A forward-looking critique should use yardsticks laid down in the white paper itself: the ability to engage in "high-intensity conflict; to contribute to multinational formations; to deploy flexibly and rapidly; and to rebuild defence capability at need. The first lesson is that repeated promises that cuts in manpower would be compensated for by improved firepower have not been adequately kept. To take only one example, less than a quarter of the multiple-launch rocket systems supposed to have been supplied by 1984 had been delivered by the time the Gulf counter-offensive started.

Extensive modifications had to be made in the theatre to tanks, aircraft and ships. There were shortages of specialised weapons (never mind desert clothes and boots). The versatility of British forces comes in for high praise, but some of that versatility was forced upon them. As the committee notes, British troops will rarely be able to count on the ample time to adapt they had in the Gulf. These findings should reinforce Tom King, the defence secretary, when it comes

to fulfilling his pledge that smaller will really mean better. Out-of-area commitments are, almost by definition, hard to plan for ahead, but the state-of-the-art equipment Iraq possessed is a warning that few conflicts will be other than "high-intensity warfare".

Impediments of manpower from other units to build the armoured brigades up to wartime strength went smoothly. The Gulf experience suggests that the white paper is right to put the emphasis on flexibility, as is the Army Board to preserve intact the forces which best reflect this. But the committee's findings suggest that more emphasis still needs to be given to joint-services planning, training and operations. And smaller regular forces will mean that future operations will depend more heavily on reserves. As the committee notes, that will not be compatible with effective rapid deployment unless these are better trained.

Operation Granby involved transporting 45,000 servicemen and women, 400,000 tons of freight and 15,000 vehicles over 6,300 sea-miles. Britain's reliance on foreign vessels and aircraft makes a strategic point. Within Nato, Britain already shares operational command and logistics. Overseas, it is unrealistic to expect British forces to be deployed, minor engagements apart, other than in a multinational coalition, probably in conjunction with America.

This is true with or without the reductions set out in Options for Change. The aim should be to retain the capacity to make a real difference in such joint operations. In Europe, only Britain and France combine substantial forces with the will to commit them overseas. France's arms-length posture towards Nato weakens its usefulness in joint operations. Britain's large deployment in the Gulf won it a voice in strategy and enhanced its political influence in the aftermath of victory. That lesson must not be lost.

BOLDLY AND BODILY

If David Lawrence and Philip DeFreitas bowled bouncers like Curtly Ambrose and Courtney Walsh, would the same outcry have been heard from the Oval this week? Poms are notorious for their whingeing, though Ian Botham, a true sportsman, whinged only at himself for the hash he made of an Ambrose bouncer yesterday. It was England which invented "bodyline" — bowling at the man not the stumps — on Jardine's notorious tour of Australia in 1931-2. The West Indian suspicion that the Brits do not like bouncers only because they cannot play them has a whiff of plausibility.

Once, the case against bouncers was based on the risk of serious physical injury. But that is no longer the case. After the terrifying Chatfield incident in 1975, when the batsman temporarily "died" after being struck on the head by a short ball, most batsmen took to the helmet. With the aid of today's lightweight materials, the modern batsman can go to the crease perfectly mobile, yet secure against calamity. Facing the West Indies attack, a long innings is bound to involve some pain and bruising. But compared with what, say, a rugby player or soccer player must endure, it is as nothing. Rule 42 bans bouncers that constitute "an attempt to intimidate the striker", but today's protected batsman should not be easily intimidated.

That being so, the enemies of the bouncer have somewhat shifted their ground. The

new line is that bouncers are boring; they slow down over rates; they are impossible to score off. This theory is even less convincing than its predecessor. Over rates are slow not because of bouncers but because of the length of run-up of the fast West Indies bowlers, the leisurely way they walk back to their mark, and the number of no-balls. Ambrose could deliver nothing but yorkers and it would still take him six minutes to get through his over.

As for the impossibility of scoring, that may only be true of a generation of batsmen that is afraid to hook. But those who remember Colin Milburn will know that there is no sight in cricket more exciting than a bowler pitching short to a batsman who is prepared to go for his shots.

Good arguments or bad, the anti-bouncer brigade has persuaded the authorities. From October, only one bouncer per over may be delivered at any one batsman. This is a curiously imperfect solution, that could in one circumstance allow a bowler to deliver six bouncers in an over. More often it will succeed in its stated aim of reducing the number of short-pitched deliveries. But whether it also succeeds in turning West Indies from the world's most feared team into something less is doubtful. Ambrose and Walsh aiming at the head may or may not intimidate, but Ambrose and Walsh aiming at the stumps will be quite frightening enough to see off most mortal batsmen.

Concern at deaths in Brixton prison

From Ms Deborah Coles and Ms Caroline Rickets

Sir, The fact that the Home Office has ignored recommendations about security at Brixton prison (report, August 7) comes as no surprise to our organisation. The Home Office has consistently ignored the regime and conditions at Brixton (especially those on the psychiatric wing) made by the Southwark coroner, Sir Montague Levine.

Over the last two years he has presided over 15 inquests into the deaths of prisoners, 13 of whom committed suicide and two of whom died following confrontation with prison officers. Three inquest verdicts in the past year have returned verdicts of death due to "lack of care" and Sir Montague has painstakingly made repeated calls for improvements in the medical care and treatment of prisoners, many of whom should have been in hospital care, not prison custody.

The Chief Inspector of Prisons, Judge Stephen Tumin, in his damning report on Brixton prison, published in December 1990, written following his inspection the previous March, made 173 recommendations, the bulk of which were designed to improve the quality of life of prisoners at Brixton, who he stated live in a "corrupting and depressing institution". Let the home secretary tell us how many of these recommendations have been implemented.

Preoccupation with security diverts attention from fundamental issues which must be addressed: the need for a drastic reduction in custodial remands and fewer and shorter prison sentences, coupled with the abolition of the prison medical service and its replacement with National Health Service care and a more humane and stimulating regime.

How high must the death toll climb at Brixton before public disquiet is focused upon the brutal regime and conditions which prisoners daily have to endure with such deleterious effects?

Yours faithfully,
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CAROLINE RICKETS
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Inquest (United campaigns for justice),
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August 7.

Navy dental cuts

From Mr Robert A. Baker

Sir, I can explain to Sir Philip Goodhart (August 6) why the services require more dentists than his arithmetic would suggest. In the services regular dental treatment is compulsory, but in civilian life it is optional and less than half the population seek regular care.

I have seen as a working dentist the standard and quality of care offered by the NHS and the Royal Navy and it has been my experience that both are higher in the RN. More time spent with each patient and the RN encourages its dental officers to undertake post-graduate training

Voting on ordination of women

From Mr O. W. H. Clark

Sir, Since less than half of the 44 diocesan synods of the Church of England have voted on the draft legislation for the ordination of women to the priesthood, it is at best premature of Clifford Longley (August 3) to suggest that three-quarters of them "have given their consent" to this proposal.

Diocesan synods are likewise still voting. Certainly I can give now the names of 140 diocesan synods (from 35 dioceses) which have not accepted the legislation. However, I doubt that anyone knows the full diocesan picture at this stage.

The expectation that the House of Laity of the General Synod will approve this legislation at final approval does not derive from the diocesan or deanery voting. It has been present since the election of this General Synod nearly a year ago.

What the current voting may well secure is the defeat of the legislation by the House of Bishops. That is my personal hope — and expectation.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
O. W. H. CLARK,
Courtlands,
8 Courlands Avenue,
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August 3.

From Mrs Caroline Davis

Sir, In all 18 of the 44 diocesan synods that have voted to date, the laity passed the legislation to allow women to be ordained to the priesthood. The results give a majority of over 70 per cent.

In the deanery synods, far from showing a much more negative pattern, the percentage vote is very similar. The deanery synods have already elected the General Synod which will vote next year. These results, surely, show the basic faith instincts of the "ordinary faithful" saying that the ordination of women is right — and that it is right now.

Yours faithfully,
CAROLINE DAVIS
(Executive Secretary),
Movement for the Ordination of Women,
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August 6.

From Commander F. N. Ponsbury RN

Sir, What is so worrying is the sheer arrogance of those in the Church of England who have convinced themselves that a "small offshore" sect of the holy catholic apostolic church (for that is what we are and those who think otherwise may be suffering from a delusion of imperial — or

episcopal — grandeur) has the authority to change unilaterally the theological and traditional bases of the priesthood.

The *sensus fidelium* (the belief of the people) argument, useful as it is for the resolution of little local difficulties, is fatally flawed if the constituency is just a majority of 1.5 million residents of England (and a few thousand in Europe, *pace* the Bishop of Gibraltar).

I have the honour etc.
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Lythe Farm Cottage,
Steep, Petersfield, Hampshire.

From Mr Ronald J. MacDonald

Sir, It is the very essence of the Roman Catholic faith that the Church's authority to each comes directly from Christ its founder, who so mandated St Peter and his successors and those bishops who are in communion with them.

Whether or not one submits to this claim, it should by now be abundantly clear to all that contrary to Clifford Longley's article, the Catholic laity, far from having the power to demand the ordination of women, have rather the obligation to obey the traditional teaching on this matter as on any other which is not open to discussion.

Pope John Paul, writing in December 1988 to the then Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, left no room for misunderstanding when he stated:

The Catholic Church, like the Orthodox Church and the ancient Oriental Churches, is firmly opposed to this development, viewing it as a break with tradition of a kind we have no competence to authorise...

Yours faithfully,
RONALD J. MACDONALD,
82 Stirling Drive,
Bishopbriggs, Glasgow.
August 4.

From Mrs K. A. Minchin

Sir, Clifford Longley certainly strikes a chord in the parish to which I belong. At a parish meeting called to discuss the ordination of women those on the electoral roll voted 84 for and 24 against.

However, the two deanery synod representatives, who are not in favour of the measure, do not have to vote at the synod as the parishioners have voted but as their consciences dictate. This would appear to make a nonsense of laity representation throughout the Church of England.

Yours faithfully,
KATHARINE MINCHIN,
Kettross, Lutener Road,
Easebourne,
Midhurst, West Sussex.

NHS trusts

From the Chairman of Council of the British Medical Association

Sir, You report Mr Stephen Dorrell, the junior health minister, talking about evidence of the National Health Service trusts treating more patients and reducing waiting lists ("Applicants sought for third wave of NHS trusts", August 6).

The survey by Newchurch and Co on which this "evidence" is based is unimpressive to say the least. It represents the bullish views of a sample of the chief executives of the 57 NHS trusts; their views are not exactly surprising. Increased activity in all hospitals, directly managed units as well as trusts, is only to be expected in the early part of the year. It is what happens towards the end of the year when the money begins to run out that will be the acid test.

The survey says that "having a highly motivated staff committed to making the trust a success is seen as crucial". I would agree absolutely, but then all NHS staff are highly motivated anyway. The fact remains, however, that many trust staff remain highly sceptical, if not deeply opposed, to the whole idea of these changes.

It is far too early to say whether the considerable costs incurred in setting up NHS trusts have been a sensible use of scarce resources and it is disingenuous of the government to pretend otherwise.

Yours faithfully,
JEREMY LEE-POTTER,
Chairman of Council,
British Medical Association,
BMA House, Tavistock Square, WC1.
August 7.

Modern reading

From Mrs E. E. Cooper

Sir, I believe I can help Ms Vivien Allen (August 5) in her selection of a suitable contemporary novel for her Russian pen-friend. We faced just such a decision a year ago when visiting East German pen-friends for the first time. As they were keen above all else to learn about the workings of the British Parliament, we took them a copy of Jeffrey Archer's *First Among Equals*.

This proved to be an inspired choice, and what astonished them the most was our pairing system between MPs of opposing parties.

Yours faithfully,
E. E. COOPER,
5 Imperial Court,
Blakeney Road,
Beckenham, Kent.
August 5.

From Mr R. J. Post
Sir, Ms Allen should send to her correspondent in Minsk *Nice Work* by David Lodge — an interesting snapshot of industry and academics in the late 1980s.

Yours etc.,
R. J. POST,
86 Ormond Drive,
Hampton-on-Thames,
Middlesex.
August 5.

National lottery for good causes

From Mr John Bowls, MP for Battersea (Conservative)

Sir, The sleight of hand by which the pools promoters prefer to extract a levy from their punters to pay for the Foundation for Sports and the Arts than to use a fraction of the company profits (report, August 3) suggests Parliament would do well to think again on this issue.

Although a contribution from those companies would be welcome, there is no obvious reason why the person who has a bet on next week's football results should be singled out for a surcharge to pay for the following week's production of *Aida* at the Coliseum.

On the other hand the harnessing of the desire for a flutter to the benefit of arts, sport and disability is something devoutly to be wished. There is almost certainly a substantial majority in Parliament and in the country for a national lottery. This was fended off by the pools promoters, concerned that people might prefer to put money into the pockets of good causes than into theirs. It is surely time to take a gamble and let the lottery wheels turn.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN BOWLS,
House of Commons.
August 3.

Honour for Morrell?

From Mr Iain R. Redpath

Sir, Jill Morrell's selfless dedication to the campaign for the release of John McCarthy (reports, August 9) and other western hostages in Lebanon has been an inspiration to very many people, not only journalists. A significant honour in the earliest available list is deserved and would, I am sure, be widely popular.

Yours,
IAIN R. REDPATH,
20 Mead Road,
Little Stanmore,
Edgware, Middlesex.
August 9.

Uranium uses

From Mr Robert Dashwood

Sir, Depleted uranium, as reportedly exported from this country to Iraq (August 5), is said by some to have no potential military use. Whilst this may be true of attempts to manufacture fissile elements for an atomic bomb, there is a more prosaic purpose to which armed forces put the metal.

The United States military currently uses depleted uranium for the manufacture of armour-piercing ammunition for tank, aircraft and anti-missile guns. Similar uses have been mooted for UK forces as well.

Additionally, it is thought that models of the American Abrams tank use depleted uranium as a form of armour. Ammunition of this type is said to be highly effective; if such were the intended use of the material, it is fortunate that plans for its deployment and use were interrupted. I remain, Sir, your obedient servant,
ROBERT DASHWOOD,
Gray's Inn Chambers,
Gray's Inn, WC1.

Older women at work

From Lady Goodhart

Sir, In an otherwise admirable article on August 2 ("In praise of older women"), I was sorry that Janet Daley referred pejoratively to the possibility of their being "headmistresses".

After ten years outside education I recently returned to it — dare I admit — as a headmistress, so I have met a fair number. If being headmistress means being clever, compassionate, charming, sensible and competent then my colleagues are certainly that. I am not sure what else they share — some are more confident than others, some more glamorous.

I have certainly come across women in politics, public and other walks of life who put my colleagues into the shade so far as business, aggressiveness and self-importance are concerned. And as for the media...

Yours faithfully,
CELIA GOODHART (Principal),
Queen's College,
43-49 Harley Street, W1.
August 8.

From Miss G. H. Powell

Sir, No matter what might be good for them in Minsk, I know what they like in Bokhara. Discarding holiday paperbacks in Uzbekistan a few years ago, I passed them on to tourist guides.

The authors were Dick Francis, Anita Brookner and John Mortimer, but two of the recipients, as I handed them over, said hopefully: "Is it an Agatha Christie?"

Yours faithfully,
GWEN POWELL,
Blackpenny Cottage, Dullingham,
Newmarket, Suffolk.
August 7.

From Mr R. J. Larkin

Sir, May I recommend to Ms Allen that to any novels which she selects for her Russian friend, she should add George Mikes's *How to be a Brit*, combined in one volume with his famous *How to be an Alien* and its sequel, *How to be Inimitable* and *How to be Decadent*.

Yours faithfully,
R. LARKIN,
42 Mansfield Road, NW3.
August 5.

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Sailors beware the Fastnet

On a sunny Solent Callum Murray joins the crew of one of the fastest racing yachts afloat to get a foretaste of the notorious Fastnet Race, which starts today

The sun shines on the Solent. Filling each horizon, between the Isle of Wight on one side and the mainland on the other, are the bright, triangular outlines of sails. And filling the deck of an archaic schooner, glasses in hands, are people enjoying corporate hospitality. For this is Cowes Week, and big business has moved in on sailing, just as it has on all other sports perceived to carry prestige.

The schooner edges clumsily along, making little apparent headway in the light breeze, in spite of her many sails. So it is perhaps with some envy that the corporate guests watch as Ake Larson glides easily past — for this is a "maxi" racing yacht, the fastest there is. It is used to be said that ocean racing was a rich man's sport. Now it is also a rich company's sport. Owned by the Union Bank of Finland, the maxi yacht has been chartered to the Swedish project and construction managers Ake Larson for the Fastnet Race, which begins today. Comparing the maxi yacht with the schooner is like comparing a biplane with a jet — but both boats rely on corporate largesse for their existence.

Weather not much different from this blessed start of the notorious Fastnet of 1979. The race — from the Solent to the southern tip of Ireland, and back to Plymouth — is said to be one of the most difficult in the world, because of the unpredictability of conditions at the meeting place of the English Channel, the Irish sea and the Atlantic ocean. No one, not even the Meteorological Office, was prepared for the storms of 1979. The winds reached gale force 10, 15 competitors and four yachtsmen in a boat following the race were drowned, five yachts sank and 19 were abandoned to be recovered later. The coastguard dealt with 10,000 messages over a 60-hour period, and crews had to be rescued by helicopters, warships, lifeboats, fishing boats and other yachts.

Mike Best, Ake Larson's navigator, took part in the 1979 race in a boat about half the size of the

maxi. It was his first Fastnet, and there were times during the race, he admits, when he began to wonder if he was cut out for ocean racing. "You do have to be quite physically brave," he says. "You may have to change a mainsail when the foredeck's running with green water. It's usually then that people get lost over the side."

At least Mr Best is being paid to risk his life, unlike most of the competitors, who receive expenses at best. He is in the RAF, which was sponsored to enter a team in this year's Admiral's Cup, of which the Fastnet Race is a part. After a well publicised falling-out with the management of the British team, however, he finds himself on board Ake Larson instead. "Business ethics are very different from service ethics" is all he will say in explanation, as the maxi moves out from her moorings in Southampton's Ocean Village marina.

This outing, two days before the Fastnet, is one of a series designed to ensure that everyone in Ake Larson's crew of 20 or so knows exactly what his job is. By yachting standards the maxi is enormous, with a length of 83ft. By the standards of any other kind of accommodation for 20 people, it is absurdly small. Yet it was home for that number for nearly a year during the 1989-1990 Whitbread round-the-world race, when it sailed under the name Union Bank of Finland, finishing ninth out of 15.

Above deck, the maxi is surprisingly featureless for such a big boat, with no superstructure and a minimal cockpit, so that water can run off without damaging it. The area below deck was partly designed by Ake Larson's Finnish skipper, Lasse Ingvald. A lot of attention has been paid to keeping the crew happy. Heated drying lockers have been installed, for instance, separating the bunks from the area for storing wet sails. This has been done not simply because he is a nice guy, says Mr Ingvald. It is good for morale.

Yet the accommodation remains spartan. Because Ake Larson is a big boat there is



Before the mast: Kari Mikkonen, a crew member, aboard the maxi yacht Ake Larson in Cowes Week.

enough headroom to stand upright, but there are no chairs, no table, and the bunks seem designed for small children. The theory is, the narrower the better. That way you cannot fall out of them. In any case, because of the system of watches, no member of the crew is likely to be in his bunk for more than four hours at a time.

About half of the crew are Swedish, picked by Mr Ingvald from a youth project. All are members of a sailing club near Stockholm, but none has experience of the kind of offshore racing challenges that the Fastnet may present. "We're not very afraid of the danger," says Lars Nyander, a sailmaker by trade. "And if you go out on a rough sea, the bigger the boat the better. Besides, I have a

plane to catch on August 15... The record for the 605-mile Fastnet is less than three days. In calm weather it takes much longer — but most of the crew expects to finish some time on Tuesday.

Although still only 35, Mr Ingvald is perhaps ten years older than the average age of his crew. "They're like my boys," he says. "I don't want anyone to get hurt." He was married on board a boat at one of the ports of call during the 1985-1986 Whitbread race. Now he has a child and is teaching the stage, he says, when he will slowly begin to get out of the game. "If you take it too seriously, you end up like the poor Russian skipper who hanged himself." And the

risks? "As you get older, you get more scared," he says.

Ake Larson returns to the Ocean Village marina after a trip in which they have learnt a little more about who is suited to which job. In the Royal Southampton Yacht Club, Mr Best, Mr Ingvald and the watch leaders sit round a table discussing the Fastnet. The consensus is that they might realistically hope to come third in their class. The theme from *The Onedin Line* plays faintly over the public address system. "I don't want us to be the fastest to do mistakes," says Mr Ingvald. Finally, "I want us to be the safest."

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Farmer's diary: Paul Hetney

The Punch and duty show

ALTHOUGH what appears here every week is the truth and nothing but the truth, I must confess that if I am guilty of any error it is one of omission.

Four months ago I had our eldest carthorse, Punch, put down. I am sorry not to have told you sooner but, like an embarrassed man with his arm in a sling, I was afraid of repeatedly being asked what happened, and how did it feel? Anyway, I'm still not certain how I feel, for many emotions come into play when a carthorse's life has to end, and not all of them square with the unsentimental approach that livestock farmers must adopt.

I cannot claim that he was the greatest Suffolk Punch that ever lived, but he had led a varied life, working on the streets of Birmingham before graduating to pulling a dustcart around Aberdeen.

Star, his old mate from his days in the granite city, is still working on our farm. Punch was a cunning old devil, and his broad nostrils could sniff work a mile off: he would pull every trick in the book to put off the evil moment. At harnessing time he would flick his head high just at the moment you were about to drop the collar over his neck, and you would have to swing with all your might on his halter to get him to lower his head. Then, when you turned your back to get his bridle, he'd drop his head to the ground, and if he was lucky his collar would slide off and you'd have to start again.

His worst habit was taking unofficial teabreaks. At one stage in his career, I later discovered, he had been in the charge of a horseman who would take any opportunity to avoid work. Being a cunning old boy, instead of stopping his horses at the end of the furrow and rolling himself a flag there, he would wait until he was halfway across the field. If the farmer saw him from a distance, he assumed something had broken and was being repaired: if he had seen his man and horses lounging at the edge of the field, he would have known they were skiving. This explains Punch's infuriating habit of suddenly stopping: I have on occasions expended more energy on driving that horse along one

furrow than on most other farm tasks put together.

Nevertheless, when he took ill with "flu" we were heartbroken. It is a sad sight to see a once proud and upstanding carthorse with hardly the strength to stand, and no will to stagger to his manger, particularly when you remember him fighting his way to his food.

With skilful veterinary care and close attention, he recovered. He regained all his irritating ways, but the sparkle had gone out of him. He fell prey to successive illnesses and in the end was unfit for any work. We kept him for a year before ringing the knacker.

I have spent some months wondering whether it was the right thing to do. I could just as easily have turned him out to the meadow for the rest of his days. Only last night did my conscience



clear. I bought Punch from a Suffolk farmer, Roger Clark. He, too, farms with Suffolk Punches and is the kind of instinctive horseman who, although only in his forties, has already forgotten more about them than I will ever know. When he sold Punch and Star to me he said: "They're good horses, but not so good that you won't learn anything from them."

I now know what he meant. An amiable, willing, placid carthorse could almost be worked by a child. You could farm with it for a lifetime and end up no more of a horseman than when you started. But with a tricky horse like Punch you need to be master, and yet sensitive enough to know when he is being idle and when you might be working him too hard. Punch taught me a lot.

And Mr Clark put my mind at rest. "Horses like routine," he said. "Take a farm horse that's been fed three times a day, by the clock, for as long as he can remember. And then when his working life is done, you turn him out in his old age to fend for himself in the field. Alone. That to me is just cruel."

You might disagree but I don't. It would have been pitiful to see the old boy, holding over the meadow fence, looking at the young horses being brought into the yard to be fed and harnessed. I felt I did the right thing by him.

And that's the truth.

Feather report

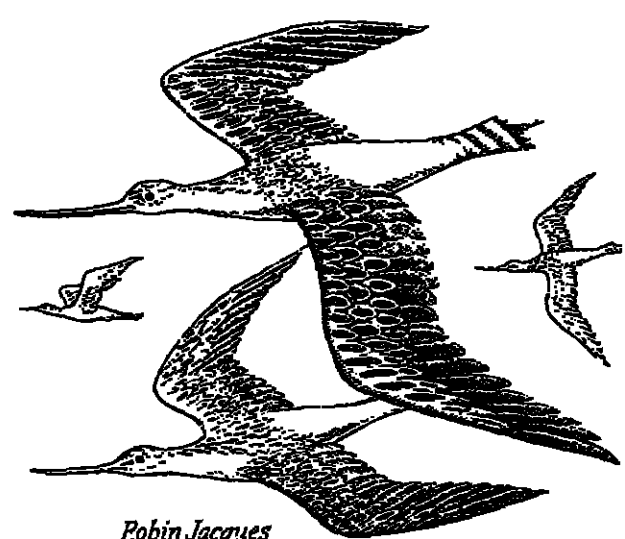
Petrel fuels species debate

WHEN is a species not a species? The question is as profound as it is frivolous. It is concerned, on the one hand, with evolution. It is also an utterly frivolous business in the way it affects the brotherhood of twitches: if it is a species, you can tick it.

Can you tick the Tyne petrel? This was reported in *The Times* last week as a possible new species. But it might well be classified as a race, a subspecies of Swinhoe's petrel.

The bird's status will eventually be determined by the British Ornithologists' Union, which maintains the British List. The list is subject to constant reappraisals. The changes are made by lumpers and splitters: lumpers like to lump different races together and call them a single species, splitters tend to prefer a system with lots of different species.

There was a recent example of splitting when the rock pipit, which breeds in Britain, was separated from the water pipit, which does not. The American buff-bellied pipit was separated at the same time, giving three distinct species instead of three races of the same species. Many



Robin Jacques

A race apart? The bar-tailed godwit, on the cusp of evolution

twinklers had seen these races, and given themselves a pencil tick on the strength of this. When the judgment was passed, the pencil magically solidified into ink, giving the two new additions to their list: armchair ticks, in the jargon. Twinklers worth their salt will be trying to see a yellow-legged herring gull as an insurance tick. Herring gulls usually

crow in northwest Scotland, but they are two races of the same species.

Does this have any significance? Many consider the whole business of lumping and splitting to be the ornithological equivalent of asking how many angels can dance on the point of a pin. However, as James Burge, the scientific film-maker, points out, modern theoretical physics is concerned with the same question: the possibility of defining an exact point of time and space.

The question of when a species is not a species is similarly baffling, and important. The reason the crows are not separate species is because there is a narrow zone of overlap, where the races hybridise. Where true species overlap they maintain their individuality and integrity. They are genetically distinct.

The question of whether or not breeding takes place is crucial. There are two races of bar-tailed godwit that you occasionally see side-by-side. They have nothing to do with each other, they fly in discrete flocks, and do not interact. One could speculate that they are on the cusp of evolution, in the process of evolving into genetically distinct species.

The question of species and race is not a mere academic puzzle. This is nothing less than the cauldron of evolution. And ornithologists have taken an easy option compared to some. There are reckoned to be about 8,000 species of birds surviving. There are between one and three million species of insects. And about two-thirds of these are beetles.

This brings me to the famous story of the scientist J.B.S. Haldane. Asked by theological colleagues what his studies of classification revealed about the nature of the Creator, he replied: "An inordinate fondness for beetles."

SIMON BARNES

What's about: Birds — Overflying waters throughout the country. Chance of green shank, whimbrel and red shank in gardens. Twinklers — White rumped sand piper at Clay. Norfolk Long-tailed rosefinch at Portland Bill, Dorset. Details from Birdline 0898 700222.

Old curiosities save a shop

Nora Batty-style lisle stockings and yards of knicker elastic are among the 'treasures' of a Scottish living museum



Open all hours: museum attendant Donald Grant at Alfie's casket

"WHAT have we got most of? Knicker elastic," says Joanna Grimsditch unhesitatingly. "We've enough to hold up the entire Scottish nation's underwear for the next century."

Indeed she has. Alongside the Tilly lamps, the blocks of pipe clay and 1930s frocks, shelf after dark pine shelf of Alfie Macintyre's old grocery shop is taken up with wondrous cards of "Vida washing and boiling knicker elastic".

This is not all Alfie left behind when he locked up the shop 12 years ago and retired to his flat above the grocery store in the Banffshire village of Aberlour. He died in 1983 but the stock he had built up in a lifetime serving the needs of a remote Scottish community has become an extraordinary record of rural life in the days when people had neither the time nor money to travel to Elgin or Aberdeen.

Largely through the efforts of Mrs Grimsditch and local feeling that Alfie's (or A. Macintyre & Sons, as it was originally) should be kept as it is remembered, the shop has become a living museum. In its first year the

shop, which now sells Scottish-produced foods and woolen goods, attracted 17,500 visitors.

Mrs Grimsditch, a one-time market researcher in London, migrated to Aberlour in 1977 and bought the Aberlour Hotel, directly across the street from Alfie's. Alfie shut up shop shortly after she arrived. It is said the ageing bachelor went to his doctor after a fall and was told to give up work. He went straight back to the shop, threw out the perishables and locked the doors.

Coming from the south, where the things Alfie was stocking were found only in antique and bric-a-brac shops, Mrs Grimsditch was fasci-

ated. "I knew it should all be kept together but then it was really nothing to do with me." But after Alfie died one of her hotel guests, Mike Musgrave, a Derbyshire businessman, asked about the shop with its tantalising views through the windows of something seen only in sepia photographs. She borrowed the key and let him in.

His son, also Mike, remembers: "It was like walking back in time. The coffee was still in the grinder, tea in the boxes and biscuits in presentation cases on the shelves. Everything had just stopped as he had left it."

The Musgraves put in an offer for the whole building under the notoriously hit or

miss Scottish system of sealed bids. They later discovered they had outbid the Scottish tinny food producer Baxter of Speyside, which wanted the interior of the shop for its own visitor centre.

Mrs Grimsditch remembers: "Mike came in and said it had to be completed by the end of the financial year. As it was then March 28 that didn't leave much time. I offered to lease the shop and we shook on it there and then, but it took almost a year to sort out."

Margaret Ling, now manageress, remains, even two years later, fascinated by the stock: Nora Batty-style lisle stockings in faded plaid, grey canvas stays and corsets to be laced up the back.

Above the stack of grey trilbies, there is a shelf of women's cloche hats straight out of *Dr Finlay's Casebook*, a shop window mannequin models a complete housemaid's uniform. The frocks range from severe beige cotton buttoned to the neck to a drop-waist white silk party dress with stiffened cloth poodles wired to one side.

"Alfie didn't sell junk and he didn't cut a price," Mrs Grimsditch says. His corbs, or some of them, came from Paris. His "Beastie" corbs for nits were hand-carved Indian ivory. There are boxes of stiff Harrow collars for small boys' Sunday best, a display case of Tootal silk ties (1/6d each) and tins of Bon Accor straw hat polish. There is so much starch that Mrs Ling occasionally sells a packet to older inhabitants.

Visitors are allowed to open the deep wooden drawers beneath the counters and examine the three-piece corduroy suits for small girls with hood and button-up leggings (19s 6d), flat tweed bonnets (7s 6d) and pink long johns. And all in the original boxes.

Against the back wall — the office behind holds all the accounts from 1922 to 1979 — stand row upon row of Terry's boiled sweet jars which have been refilled by the same company. The original contents had reduced to a crystalline sludge. The door jamb is covered with pencilled reminders by old Alfie, Alfie's father, about stocktaking.

"I suspect we have the fact that Alfie never married to thank for all this," says Mrs Ling. "No woman would have put up with it all."

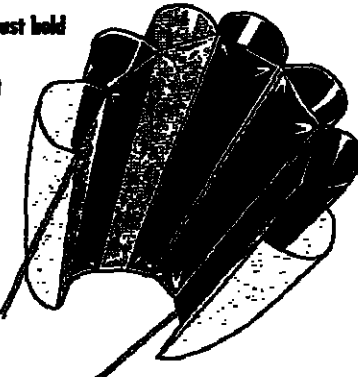
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Cogges dig: A chance to visit the archaeological dig at a medieval house owned by one

Wadard, depicted in the Bayeux tapestry. Today only. National Young Archaeologists' Day: ring to see if there are places left.
Cogges Manor Farm Museum, near Witney, Oxfordshire (0993 772602). Today until next weekend. (Ring 0993 811456 for children's day details).
Hark, Harlech: Day-long entertainment at the castle, with the emphasis on music. Harlech Castle, Merioneth.

Tomorrow, Events 11am-5pm. £2, children £1.25. Concert 7.30pm; £4, children £2.50, family ticket £10 (bookable on 0766 780552).
Kneelworth battle Re-enactment of the Battle of Shilo, with 1,200 members of the American Civil War Society taking part, one third of them from the United States, with contingents from France, Germany, Norway and Czechoslovakia. Kneelworth Park, Stevenage, Hertfordshire (0438 812661).

Today, tomorrow, Gates open 10am, battle from 2.30pm. £3.

NEXT WEEK

Ighiteam highlights: Family day with activities for the children, including animal tracking, pond dipping and plant-earrings making.
Ighiteam Moss, Ivy Hatch, near Sevenoaks, Kent (0892 891001). Wed 2-5pm. £2.50, children £1.

JUDY FROSHAUGH

Language students can mean sleepless nights for landlords. Sally Brompton reports

English as a foreign seafront

When Caroline Windsor decided to rent out her spare room to foreign students, her friends warned her: "You'll have problems." Six weeks into the enterprise, Mrs Windsor has no complaints. The four 13 and 14-year-olds who have shared her family's maisonette in Brighton have done nothing worse than hog the bathroom, pick at their food and miss the last bus home.

"You do hear of students getting into trouble, being difficult and disrupting the house, but I've had no problems so far," says Mrs Windsor, who is 30. She is planning to continue the enterprise because "I like to think that if my children were being looked after by someone else they would be looked after in the same way".

There are those who do not enjoy the overwhelming presence of foreign language students in south coast resorts such as Brighton, Hastings and Bournemouth during the summer. There is increasing pressure on host families to enforce curfews and explain cultural differences.

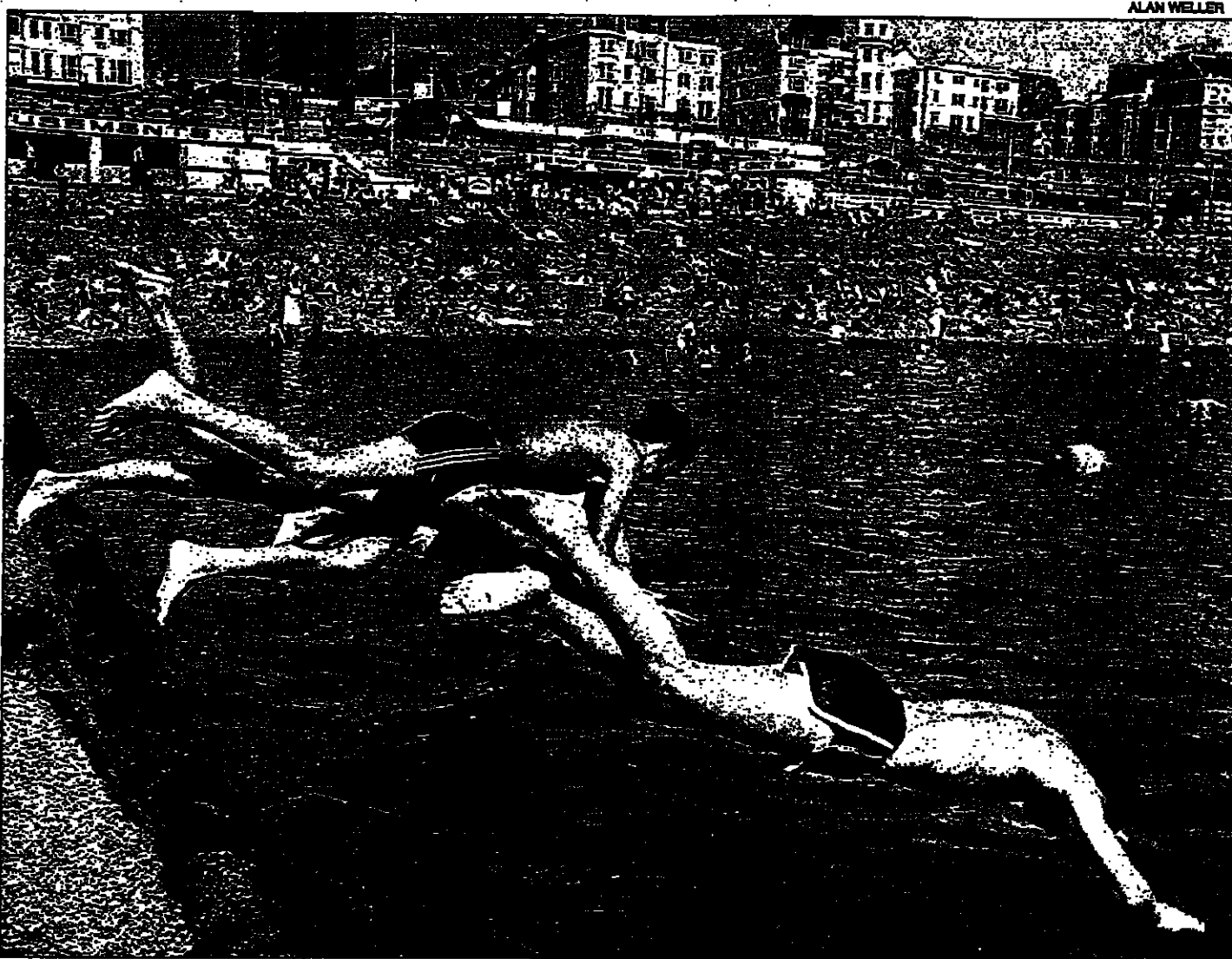
While the local adult population may object to the students' apparent lack of self-restraint in shops, trains and bus queues, the British youngsters resent their comparative affluence and style. The foreign students are easy and conspicuous targets for local gangs looking for trouble.

The Brighton police acknowledge that they have "identified over the last few summers that there is a potential problem with large numbers of language students congregating together, and there can at times be friction and misunderstanding with the local community".

Shop-lifting by the students is not unknown, but a Brighton police spokesman insisted that the force regards the students as "an important part of the summer season in Brighton".

"They are certainly very visible," Mrs Windsor says, "and they do congregate in Brighton and sit around as they do on the Continent. People do complain but they are people who would complain about anything. I think the foreign students are better behaved than English students. You don't see them drunk or picking fights".

With more than 450,000 of them arriving in Britain each year, the English-as-a-foreign-language industry is Britain's sixth largest source of invisible earnings. The students spend an average of £100 a week each in pocket money. The



Diving in Brighton is full of temptations, and learning English can take second place for foreign students away from home for the first time

fact that roughly half of them are aged between 12 and 18 heightens the potential for trouble, particularly during the peak months of July and August.

Most students come from France (141,000) and Italy (101,000), followed by Germany (82,000), Spain (74,000) and Japan (70,000). They stay an average of four weeks and are to be found mainly in London, Oxford, Cambridge and the south coast resorts, which is where most of the problems occur.

Of these resorts, Brighton is the most popular, with the most schools and an estimated annual student influx of 35,000 to 40,000, who between them generate £5-6 million a year for the local economy.

Fewer than half of Brighton's three dozen language schools are members of Arelis-Felco, the professional association of recognised English language teaching establishments in Britain. Arelis-Felco says some schools do not

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adequately supervise their students, and is campaigning for mandatory registration.

The association's 212 member schools all have accommodation and welfare officers who are responsible for finding homes for the students, vetting the host families and giving the visitors an "orientation session" in British social graces, such as buying drinks in a pub and queuing for a bus. They are also advised not to flaunt their Nikon cameras, to watch their wallets and to "polite and firmly" reject the demands of beggars.

Day-to-day rules and advice, however, are left unofficially to

the host families. "I'm pretty lenient with them because I feel they are on holiday," says Mrs Windsor, who has two young children of her own. "I tell them to be in by 11pm unless they're on a trip with the school, but I say that I'd rather they came home late with everyone else than early on their own. I warn them to stay away from Brighton town centre in the evenings and the seafront late at night. I can't sleep unless they're in".

Her students pay £59 a week each to share a large bedroom in the four-bedroom home in a Victorian villa. For this, Mrs Windsor has to provide a

"substantial" breakfast, a snack lunch and a two-course evening meal. She also cleans their room and changes their linen.

Hilary Mills insists that only English is spoken around the dining-room table of her six-bedroom detached Edwardian house in Brighton. "I behave as if they're my children," says Mrs Mills, aged 60. "They're a long way from home and they can't speak the language very well so you've got to be friendly".

So far, her only unfortunate experience has been with a Mexican girl who received a reverse-charge call from Mexico while Mrs Mills was out. She says she totally transformed an aggressive Swiss boy to whom she preached tolerance.

Personally, she loves them all and cannot imagine life without a household of foreigners. Some of her visitors become very fond of her, too: one of her Japanese students recently returned on her honeymoon.

Essex man in the dark again

History repeats itself today as the Viking invaders do battle in suburban Maldon

As Heritage Enterprises boom and Britain's history and traditions become highly marketable commodities, historic re-enactments proliferate. This year's Henry VIII quincentennial celebrations have occasioned innumerable Tudor kneep-ups, jousts and banquets, while anniversaries which merit even the most marginal note in the history books continue to provide an excuse for recreations of life in Merrie England.

The term "historic re-enactment" is elastic. Some events are more historic than others, with painstakingly researched military engagements at one end of the scale, and improbably attired amateur clashes between cavaliers and roundheads at the other.

The 10th century battle which is being recreated in Maldon, Essex, this weekend boasts an impressive pedigree. The conflict between invading Vikings and a band of Saxons 1,000 years ago is the subject of one of the earliest recorded epic poems in Old English, the fragments of which provide a valuable source for Anglo-Saxon scholars. *The Battle of Maldon* is a stirring roll of honour for the defeated Saxon troops, and the Viking victory at Maldon marks the beginning of the break-up of Saxon society.

Today and tomorrow the usually peaceful river Blackwater, which runs through Maldon, will be invaded by some 400 members of historic re-enactment societies, battling from replica Viking longships, and staging a simulated raid on a specially built village. The event is based on the account of the battle presented in the poem, and three narrators — one Saxon, one Viking and one a 20th century observer — will provide a commentary throughout the battle. The celebrations, which include an exhibition and a commemorative tapestry, have taken more than four years to prepare.

Nearly 20,000 people are expected to witness the battle from stands around the river. Tonight and tomorrow evening there will be a performance of J.R.R. Tolkien's short play, *The Homecoming of Beathelheim, Beornhelm's Son*, which he wrote "when a professor of philology to encourage undergraduates to learn spo-

ken Anglo-Saxon. The full programme ends with a torchlight procession and Viking funeral.

The anniversary of the battle has already been marked by a three-day conference organised by the Maldon Archaeological Group, which attracted more than 100 literary, historical and archaeological scholars from all over the world.

The authenticity of the Maldon recreation is stressed by John Pullen-Appleby, a member of the Colchester Historic Re-enactment Society. "From a distance we may look like a lot of long-haired motorcycle thugs," he says, "but we're actually very interested in the academic side of the re-enactment. Many of our members are very learned in old English and the history of the dark ages."

Many members of the Norse Film and Pageant Society (NFPS) taking part in this weekend's battle combine an academic passion for the period with a taste for the physical demands of life in the dark ages. "Some are attracted by the combat," says Paul Lydiate, a mortgage and pensions advisor who leads the NFPS Rochdale group in his spare time, "and some



Defending the Ottor, a replica Saxon craft

take it up as an alternative to jogging. It's quite an active hobby." Mr Pullen-Appleby identifies another therapeutic attraction: "It's escapism," he says. "After five days' work you really do want to go out and burn down Baintree at the weekend."

SUE MOORE

● The battle of Maldon re-enactment, Maldon, Essex, today and tomorrow, 10am-11.30pm, £7.50, £4 senior citizens and children over five. Further details from Moot Hall, High Street, Maldon (0621 851553).

Events in town

THIS WEEKEND

□ Bath in stitches: Fine and detailed work by members of the Somerset and Avon branch of the Embroiderers' Guild. *Bath Industrial Heritage Museum, Julian Road, Bath. Today until August 18, Mon-Sat 10am-4pm, Sun noon-4pm. £1.*

□ Broxbourne party: Listen to the band of the 1st Battalion, the Royal Anglian Regiment, while enjoying a cream tea. *Broxbourne Civil Hall, Gardens, Hoddeston, Hertfordshire. Tomorrow 3pm. Tickets £5, from the Civil Hall box office (0992 441946).*

□ Lancaster and Morecambe agricultural show: Displays and judging of cattle, sheep, dogs and heavy horses. Also carriage driving, Cumberland and Lancashire wrestling, craft exhibition, pony rodeo, showjumping and a children's farmyard. *Cross Hill Park, Lancaster. Today from 9am, £3, children 50p.*

□ Science in colour: A one-day event for children of all ages, organised by the Science Museum and Crayons. The Colour Trail comprises many interactive displays and demonstrations, including the making of paper and wax crayons, and printing. Museum staff, artists and actors participate. *Science Museum, Exhibition Road, London SW7 (071-938 8080). Today 10am-6pm. £3.50, children £1.75.*

NEXT WEEK:

□ Eastbourne sound: Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers' band plays in the Napoleonic fortress, culminating in an 1812 fireworks finale. *The Redoubt Fortress, Royal Parade, Eastbourne (0323 410300). Wed, Fri, 8pm. Further information and booking on 0323 412000.*

□ Northampton balloons: More than 110 balloons, with races on Friday and Saturday 6-7pm, and Sunday 6-30am. "Balloon Glow" at dusk, plus day-time events, including parachuting, sheepdogs, games and duck herding, clowns and other children's entertainers. *Racecourse, St George's Avenue, Northampton. Fri-Sat, noon-9.30pm, Sun 6.30am-7pm.*

JUDY FROSHAUG

Assets: bathrooms

Small room, big ideas

TOWN bathrooms are going where no bath or lavatory has gone before, thanks to new-style hardware and plumbing.

Adapting the concept of small, deep tubs from the Japanese means baths can be squeezed into tiny spaces to create an en-suite arrangement, or to convert a broom cupboard into a second bathroom.

Designworkshop makes soaking tubs in cedar of Lebanon to order for £1,532, while a German company, Bette, makes unusually shaped steel baths, the smallest measuring 105cm long by 65cm wide by 43cm deep (about 42in x 26in x 17in). These cost from £110.

Glass-reinforced plastic tubs are available in white or colour from Future Enterprisers. A single tub measuring 105cm long by 74.5cm wide by 59.5cm deep (about 42in x 30in x 24in) costs £160, while a double size (same depth but 105cm square) costs £210.

The Max Pike shop has an innovative answer to space saving. The Schlappak wash-basin is wall-hinged and can swing away for storage into the shower area or above the lavatory. It is available to order in white at £2,232.50. Max Pike's Lilliput deep tubs, from £993, come in two sizes — 70cm deep by 122cm or 136cm long (28in x 48in or 54in).

Even in a compact bathroom it is possible to install exotic equipment. Amber Leisure's thermostatically controlled on-person micro sauna, in spruce, measures 183cm by 61cm wide by 122cm deep (6ft x 2ft x 4ft) and costs £579, plus £120 for installation. A portable steam sauna which does not need plumbing is available at £821 from Airbath International. The base is filled with water and the steam sauna unit is then plugged into a normal socket. Interfutures Aromatherapy Steam Tube, a portable steam sauna, similarly requires no plumbing, and can be used as a deep-cleansing steam bath or together with aromatic essential oils. It costs £799.

Anyone who wants to



Designworkshop's deep tub

move their lavatory or needs a second one in a room some distance from the main soil stack could install a small-bath system from Saniflo. This is fitted with a macerator, which breaks down solid waste and pumps it along a narrow pipe to the main stack. Depending on the model, the lavatory can be sited up to 164ft horizontally from the main soil stack.

Saniflo's Sanitop can be used below the level of the soil stack, in a basement or under stairs, by pumping vertically up to 13ft. It will also accept used waste water from a washbasin. A more elaborate pump, the Saniflux, means a complete bathroom can be installed where it was previously not



Room for the Schlappak hinged basin

possible. In addition to the WC, it takes waste water from baths, washbasins, showers and bidets.

Edincare's Superflush small-bath electric pumping lavatories, for installation in a basement or loft conversion, do not need a cistern or macerator box. One model flushes automatically by closing the lid. Unlike conventional WCs, Superflush uses only about five pints of water.

Clever storage has always been important in traditionally small British bathrooms. The German company Keuco's Sesam collection is based on a tall, slim, wall-hung cabinet containing laundry basket, cosmetics drawer, shelving and shaving socket.

Villeroy & Boch offers many storage ideas. The Stratos vanity unit incorporates open shelving either side of a basin with cupboard storage below, while cabinet doors are rounded to match sculptural vanityware. Tall, pillar-slim cabinets take up just 30cm (12in) square of floor space.

Free-standing cabinets with inset basins are useful in small bathrooms. Single or two-door vanity units are available from Heritage in mahogany, oak or pine along with a space-saving corner unit. BC Sanitan also has a range of classically-styled vanity units. For anyone prepared to splash out on bespoke bathroom storage, Smallbone's Sycamore range includes vanity units with ingenious bow-fronted drawers and cupboards with pull-out willow linen baskets. As everything is made to order, the combinations are endless.

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TELEVISION REVIEW

Walking-shots run on the wild side

Lynne Truss on a three-week BBC season which celebrates the harshly realistic work of the late British director Alan Clarke

The great Victorian photographer Julia Margaret Cameron once prepared for a picture called *Despair* by taking the sister (a small child) and locking her in a cupboard for 15 minutes. Her reasoning, I believe, was that a spell in the dark would serve two purposes. It would subdue the little girl's spirits so that she would sit patiently during the long exposure; and it would also confer on her a genuinely cheesed-off expression that would help the picture (the resulting portrait, in fact, might equally have lent itself to the title, "Sod this for a game of soldiers"). Julia Margaret Cameron, it seems, was the sort of woman who would stop at nothing in the cause of a good picture.

Watching the Alan Clarke season over the past few Saturday nights on BBC 2, I began to wonder whether he, too, was an advocate of the cupboard-method approach to performance, albeit with a slightly different object in view. In such plays as *Made in Britain*, *Scum*, *Road* and *The Firm*, the performances he got from Tim Roth, Gary Oldman, Ray Winstone *et al* are so intense, purposeful and focused that they seem to come at you like greyhounds from the traps — or, alternatively, like actors who have been kicking the inside of a dark locker for the past five hours, shouting "Let me out, you ****ing ****, this isn't ****ing funny, right?"

Hence, perhaps, the famous long, fast walking shots that — up to his death a year ago — were Clarke's trademark. The plays he directed are known, of course, primarily for their realistic depiction of working-class violence — which sounds somehow dreary as well as frightening. But watching them in swift succession over the past weeks, what has come across most impressively is Clarke's interest in the component parts of teenage aggression — frustration, bitterness and, above all, energy. In

last week's play, Jim Cartwright's *Road*, a desperate woman tried in vain to seduce a semi-conscious soldier she had met in a pub. "You're so young," she thrilled, as she tried to prop his dead weight against the wall of a derelict house. "You're so full of it." Her words might have stood as a title for the whole season.

Young and full of it, but with nowhere to go. In *Made in Britain* by David Leland (with Tim Roth as Trevor, the sharp delinquent skinhead with the prominent swastika tattoo), Geoffrey Hutchings as

'What really agitated audiences was that they were portraits of people you would prefer to see through the dark glass of a prison statistic'

Superintendent of the Assessment Centre memorably stands at a blackboard in a bright white room and, quite literally, draws Trevor a map of his life. "Home", "School", "Theft", "Court" and "Prison" are the key words, linked by arrows. While Trevor leans at him defiantly, Hutchings briskly demonstrates — with the manner of somebody who has done it a thousand times before — that an inevitable pattern of alternating prison and crime is now almost permanently set. Trevor thinks his fearlessness is a passport to freedom — when in fact it is completely the reverse.

After this dire warning, of course, Trevor does a moonlight flit from custody, steals a van, and swaggers (at top speed) through

town, wreaking as much havoc as he can think of. His pace is arrested only by a grotesque shop-window display, in which mannequins are dressed as a happy, secure family (with every item of furniture and clothing prominently price-tagged). Trevor looks in amazement at this group of ecstatic stuffs and then struts onward. As in all the other Clarke plays, though, Trevor's extraordinary locomotion implies no sense of freedom — in fact, the opposite. In any of these plays, walking is like pacing a cell. It is simply expending energy on something pointless and solitary, because there is nothing else.

The "event" of the season, of course, was the first showing of Roy Minton's *Scum* — a play that has itself been kicking the inside of a locker, somewhere in a BBC vault, for more than a decade. David Leland, with evident jubilation, introduced the late-night transmission by showing us the film tins bound in red tape, and advised us to synchronise our videos.

To the mystery of why it was banned is now added the mystery of why the ban can be lifted. If audiences in the late Seventies were deemed too literal-minded to understand it as a work of realist fiction, I doubt that in the meantime they have grown significantly more sophisticated on this issue. Possibly the reverse, in fact, since the boundary between drama and current affairs is growing ever less distinct even in the minds of the broadcasters themselves.

But what really agitated audiences about Clarke's films, in any case, was not that they were stylistically too much like "documentary" (they were not), but that they were take-it-or-leave-it portraits in extreme close-up of people you would much prefer to see through the dark glass of a prison statistic. There is absolutely nothing sentimental about these plays; as a viewer, you are offered none of the usual consolations of drama.



Going nowhere, fast: Eddie and Brink (William Armstrong and Neil Dudgeon), in *Road*

You can't feel sorry for anybody; you can't like (or hate) anybody; and you can't even say, "Blimey, how depressing." But at the same time they are intensely dramatic — because drama is about people making choices, and these characters are not the sort to say, "Hang on, let's think this through first" before starting a Borsari riot or stealing a car or braining somebody with a baseball bat.

The highlights of the season are last week's *Road* and *The Firm* by Al Hunter (shown tonight). *Road* is an angry, poetic play about poverty, and Clarke set it against a godforsaken Lancashire landscape of deserted, boarded-up back-to-backs, their derelict interiors enlivened only by the occasional car-splitting burst of happy-happy

disco music. It was a great place for Clarke's usual walking-shots; these people could walk, all right, but they couldn't hide. Even the cool Eddie and Brink (William Armstrong and Neil Dudgeon), who looked as though Fox's glacier mints wouldn't melt in their mouths, were going nowhere, fast.

I doubt that *Road* would have been shown again, but for Clarke's death. Nor, perhaps, would *The Firm* — a film about BMW-driving football hooligans that caused quite a furore in 1989. It is an amazing portrait of gang mentality, entirely divorced from football. Gary Oldman, as a wide-boy estate agent addicted to the "buzz" of wielding a Stanley knife, is brilliant.

I cannot recommend *The Firm* too highly. On the other hand, I suppose I cannot recommend it at all. It is violent, and it "contains strong language" — reasons enough why many viewers will simply not be able to bear it. For my own part, I always watch the nasty bits with my fingers over my eyes; but I have not been offended by anything in these plays, because the violence is not, in any way, gratuitous or exploitative.

What it is, rather, is shocking — in the way that real violence, real poverty, real degradation is shocking. The people we should distrust are not the ones who shock us, but the ones who deny that such shocking behaviour exists — the ones, in fact, who react to such stuff by locking it in a cupboard.

Spectacle of pure sound

OPERA

Le nozze di Figaro
Concert Hall, Snape

IN THE person of Don Alfonso, Claudio Desderi has been a shrewd master of ceremonies in Glyndebourne's *Così fan tutte* over the years. Now he really is in charge of the show. The renowned baritone has been spending the summer at the Scuola di Musica in Fiesole, working with young Italian singers and players on the interpretation of *Così* itself, of *Don Giovanni* and *Figaro*. The trilogy and the company, under Desderi's baton, have now arrived in England, and on Thursday *Figaro* opened their short season at this year's BT Snape Proms.

Both Desderi and his band of young musicians are clearly loving every minute of it. With many a nod, a wink and a conspiratorial smile, he supervised some bubbling recitative, a smiling chorus, raw with wide, open vowels and a strong, hand-picked cast. The lively orchestra could, perhaps, have been still smaller; at times it seemed suffocating in Snape's generous acoustic.

As it was, the players had to share the platform with a tiny dais on which this ostensibly semi-staged production was presented. It was barely staged: both sets and costumes were abandoned in Italy for artistic and financial reasons, and the cast was left to perform in evening dress.

THE visual asceticism paid off. Every second of this single day's drama was concentrated deep within each voice. And every moment of catalysis in the chemistry of its relationship was charted truthfully and intensely in purely musical terms. This *Figaro*, Umberto Chiommo, had a top register bright enough to ring with his master's bell and a bass colour dark enough to snarl effectively. Anna Luisa Scano was a bright wren of a Susanna, conventional of character, but a tasty vocal complement to both the ripe Cherubino of Marina Fratarcangeli and the darker, wounded dignity of Antonella Trovarelli's Countess.

George Mosley was the Count, and his uneasy, emotionally embryonic self, so musically expressed, was poised at the opposite point of the dais to the Countess, as Susanna and Figaro's wedding march swirled from distance to foreground and the fandango began. It was an unforgettable moment. As Susanna and Figaro took up the same positions as the Count courted his own wife, the revelation of emotional blindness was the more moving for the lack of sartorial disguise. Within its own musical scope, this was a *Figaro* to remember. British opera houses would do well to lend an ear to Desderi's team.

JOHN PERCIVAL

HILARY FINCH

Lightweight Lichine

DANCE

Graduation Ball
Festival Hall

DAVID Lichine was one of the most glamorous dancers of his time, immensely popular during the Thirties (which were his twenties), and a moderately prolific choreographer, but *Graduation Ball* is the only one of his ballets to outlive him. This work, like its choreographer, has proved highly popular, both in its first 1940 production for the Original Ballet Russe and in revivals from many companies. London Festival Ballet mounted it in 1957, to immediate acclaim, and the performance given by its successor English National Ballet on Thursday was the 51st of this production.

Much of its staying power comes from the score which Antal Dorati composed from mainly lesser-known but attractive pieces by Johann Strauss, and it is unfortunate that the company's orchestra could not bring itself to play this music more lovingly. Alexandre Benois's designs looked tired, too; probably less through wear (they have presumably been refreshed) than from the poor lighting. The best individual performance came from Koen Ossia in the Drummer solo, strutting with a cheerful cocksure pride. The rest of the dancing ranged from reasonable to well-intentioned. The demi-caractère style is unfamiliar to most dancers today, so they cannot be blamed for missing the exuberant touches that make the difference between a sound performance and a sparkling one.

Even the most brilliant of former casts would have had their work cut out to achieve the ballet's full potential ef-

fect, because of bizarre programming. Instead of presenting it as light relief after more serious works, *Graduation Ball* completed an evening that was lightweight all the way through. First, two piano ballets, both of them pretty and sentimental (*Our Waltzes* and *Three Preludes*); then, after the band had made its leisurely entrance, only one of the series of showpiece duets originally advertised. Renata Calderini, confidently poised, and Jose Manuel Carreno, full of brash energy, did their best with the *Don Quixote* pas de deux, but it was not enough to prevent complaints in the interval from people who thought they had been short-changed.

JOHN PERCIVAL

HILARY FINCH



Display of vicious charisma: Antony Sher as the inexorable Ui (centre), with Rupert Frazer (left), Anthony O'Donnell and David Herlihy

A more plausibly menacing Hitler

A FEW performances are lodged so strongly in our collective consciousness that they are always invoked when the same roles are tackled afresh; and they were not all given by knights and dames. Any Arturo Ui must compete with the ghost of Leonard Rossiter, who transformed Brecht's parody of Hitler into a flat-footed, clattering puppet never more striking than in the famous scene where a ham actor coaches him in movement. Suddenly those stiff legs were goose-stepping, that ungainly right arm was erect in a Nazi salute, that rabbit face glittered with self-delight. I can still recall the laughter.

There was less laughter on Thursday night, notwithstanding Antony Sher's

agility at the same moment. Part gangling chimpanzee, part scuttling cockroach at the start, he somehow managed to end the scene complete with moustache, slicked-down hair and hangry look, his arms now folded across his chest, now pointing at invisible enemies, now pumping in macho outrage as his legs self-importantly paraded this way and that. But then and thereafter Sher touched something Rossiter tended to miss. If he was less funny, he was more menacing, more evil.

That is as well, for the play is not its author's most trenchant. For the gangster Ui's hijacking of Chicago's Cauliflower Trust, read Hitler's takeover of Germany itself. Thus characters to be identi-

The Resistible Rise
of Arturo Ui
Olivier

fied with Hindenburg, Röhm and Dollfus respectively become the genial simpleton, Joseph O'Connor's Dogsbrough, Anthony O'Donnell's peppy little Roma, and Adrian Scarborough's Duffel, hapless boss of a suburb threatened with Anschluss. But Brecht's conclusions seem as shallow as his parallels are strenuous and reductive. Nothing is suggested about Hitler's Aryan convictions, anti-Semitism, or appeal to

the German folk. Ui is first the ally, then the master of the vegetable magnates. He is caused by capitalism.

Di Trevis directs this tendentious fable on a small stage-within-a-stage, with characters dressed in grotesquely coloured bowlers, back-projections of historical moments, and a singer who translates the cumbersome metaphors: "The Great Depression's at its height and no country's harder hit than Germany." Brecht would have approved of such "alienation effects", but less of Ranjit Bolt's translation, which misses the mock-heroic tone.

But who cares what Bertolt might have felt? What matters is that Karl Johnson, Michael Bryant and the rest of Trevis's

cast create a context for the play's one memorable creation, Ui himself, and that Sher responds with energetic inventiveness. At first, he is all doleful, unkempt insecurity, biting his knuckles as he waits from inside an ill-fitting suit. It takes time for the confidence and black leather gear to come; but, once it does, there is no missing the vicious charisma. On the podium at last, he croons, rasps and swaggers. Comic by now Sher isn't. He isn't Chaplin's Great Dictator or, for that matter, Leonard Rossiter. He isn't even the Chicago hoodlum of Brecht's trivialising parable. He is a new marker for a future Ui, Hitler himself.

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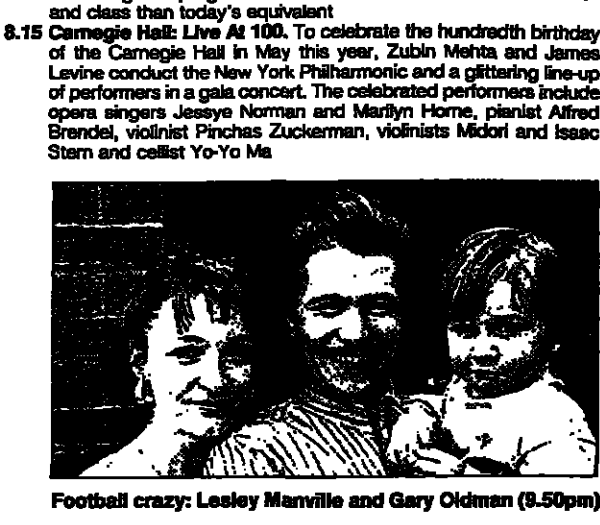
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6.35 The Shadow. The series comparing work experience in the
European Community has two police officers shadowing each
other – Sergeant Sarah Micklewright of the Merseyside Police and
Brigadier Luciano Pascolini of the Genoa carabinieri. (Costax)
7.05 News, Sport and weather
7.20 The Denis Mitchell Sessions: The Entertainers.
* CHOICE: This documentary produced by Denis Mitchell for
Granada, (directed by John McGrath) was the first shot entirely
on tape. The year is 1965 and the programme is not without notable
contents: Billie Davis sings, Sandra Gough beehives, half-imbecile
Morris shuffles brakes, and haphazard period detail that is
impossible to reproduce. The setting is a boarding house whose
lodgers include singers, strippers and a failed comedian, and the
resulting vignettes are more social essay than fly-on-the-wall
index, much interest comes from an air of contrivance and the
characters' camera-consciousness. Ironically, the programme's
best moments are its last, when a failed comedian, a failed
comedian, whose droling, sinister presence gives a weird gravity
to proceedings. "And I tell you another thing I like, a male voice
choir. Does that appeal to you?" he asks, Ortonsiques, apropos



11.000 Workday: During a long day in the office, the pressure to evolve the workday (visual clutter, burnout, fragmentation of your culture), so by the time this apparently up-to-the-minute examination of violence among designer-label football hooligans appeared it was in fact out of date. Drama of the period also neglected the state of Britain, partly because, in Tory boom years, social realism fell from favour. As a result, Alan Clarke's work, with its roots in that tradition, took an increasingly lonely path. His latest style acquired — with use of the ultra-mobile Steadicam — a dimension that could be called housing estate Expressionism, with much furious walking by actors. Directing these actors seems to have been a matter of winding them up and letting them go; aggressive, nervy confrontations are a feature of his work, with the walk adding to the electric moment of violence. This cock-of-the-walk director takes what old English phenomenon, the wide boy or housing estate square banger (and he is them?), and a football hooligan domestic violence a specialty (r).

11.000 Golf: Live coverage of the third round of the US PGA championship from the Crooked Stick course, Indianapolis. Introduced by Steve Rider.

12.35pm Cricket: England v West Indies. Highlights of the third day's play from the Oval, presented by Richie Benaud. Ends at 1.10.

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10.15 *Call on Dandelion* (1983) **TV-PG** A young man is sent to a psychiatric hospital after a car crash in helping him find love. **Starring** Parker Couching

12.00 *World Entertainment News* **TV-14** Entertainment news.

12.30 *Star Trek: The Next Generation* **TV-14** **Starring** Dick Van Dyke and Debbie Reynolds

1.00 *Hands Across the Table* (1935) **R** A mankneut wants to marry a millionaire but falls for an unemployed chamber. **Starring** Carole Lombard and Paul Muni

1.30 *My Darling Clementine* **TV-MA** **Starring** John Wayne and Claire Trevor

1.45 *Adventures with the animated cartoon*

1.55 *Short Circuit 2* (1989) **Science-fiction** adventures about a flying car that is recruited by the military. **Starring** Parker Stevens

8.15 *Checkidin Out* (1989) **Parody** comedy about a man who is convinced that he is about to drop dead. **Starring** Jeff Daniels and Melenie May

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10.15 *The Accused* (1988) **Jodie Foster's** Oscar-winning performance as a rape victim

12.00 *A Tiger's Tale* (1987) **A lonely** man finds love with his former boyfriend. **Starring** Alan Arkin

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● Via 7.00am
Bus Stop

10.15 *Good as Gold* (1983, b/w): An insurance investigator blackmails a bank manager into helping him rob a bank.

12.00 *World Entertainment News*

12.15pm *Dances with Wolves* (1997): Featuring Dick Van Dyke and Debbie Reynolds

1.15 *Arrested on the Table* (1935, b/w): A medical student wants to marry a nurse for an article in the newspaper. Starring Carole Lombard and Fred MacMurray

1.45 *Scouty Dog Meets the Brod Brothers*: Adventure with the Brod Brothers

1.55 *Short Circuit 2* (1987): Science-fiction adventure about a friendly robot exploring the desert with a flying car. Top features by the military. Starring Steve Fisher

2.55 *Checking Out* (1995): Frantic comedy about a paranoid airline pilot, who is kidnapped by a woman. Starring Jeff Daniels and Mariette Mayron

9.50 *Spotlight*

10.15 *The Accused* (1985): Jodie Foster's Oscar-winning performance as a rape victim

12.05m *A Thelma & Louise*: A lonely woman and her husband's former boyfriend. Starring An-Margret

3.00 *At Japan Sports Prototype Championships* 10.00 *Motor Sport Indy Car*

11.00 *International Kick-Boxing* 12.00 *USA Pro Soccer*

2.00 *Budweiser Jet Set* 2.30 *ATP/PGA Tennis Tour* 4.00 *Powersports International*

5.00 *USA Women's Curling Team* 5.30 *ATL Athletics* 7.00 *USA PGA Golf* 8.00 *Championship* 11.30 *World Professional Wrestling*

12.00 *USA Pro Soccer* 1.00 *USA Pro Sports Prototype* 3.00 *RAA International*

3.00 *AAI American Football* 5.00 *Tennis*

6.00 *Motor League Baseball*

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9.00 *Via the Aetna and Marcopolo satellites*

12.00 *Aetna Oakley* 12.30pm *Live* 1.50pm *Live*

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FM Stereo and MW. 4.00am Paul McKenna
(FM only until 6.00am) 7.00 The Mark Goodlad
Breakfast Show 10.00 Dave Lee Travis 1.00pm
Adrian Jossa 2.00 S-S Studio: Memories of the Trident Studio, Soho, London, 1969-1981 (1 of 2)
23.00 The Saturday Sequence with Richard Skinner 7.00 The Saturday Rock Show with Alan Price
Freeform 10.00 In Concept: Alison Brothers Band recorded at the Hammersmith Odeon in

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7.30 **Right to Life** (b/w). News summary followed by Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line 9.00 **News** summary followed by Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line 9.25 **Slag & Swing**: Jazz stars of the Thirties and Forties (b/w) 9.30 **A Century of Childhood: School**. Today's programme in the series which examines the changing experience of childhood looks at how schools have changed (g) 10.00 **Check Out '91**. Consumer issues (g). (Teletext)

10.10 **Wagon Train: The Sister Rita Story** (b/w). Flint (Robert Horne) goes to the rescue of a party of Catholic nuns who are attacked by Indians. The guest star is Vera Miles 11.30 **Australian Rules Football**. Melbourne v Collingwood 12.30 **The Muzsters** (b/w). Classic comic adventures of a ghostly family (g)

1.05 **Flame: We Are Not Alone** (1939, b/w). Dark drama starring Paul Muni as an English doctor who is accused of murdering his wife (Flora Robson) and having an affair with his Australian governess (Jeanne Bryan). Directed by Edmund Goulding 2.05 **Channel 4 Racing from Mennemuel**. John Francombe introduces live coverage of the 3.15, 3.45, 4.20 and 4.50 races 5.10 **Kalifornia Omnibus**. Maryanese melodrama (g). (Teletext) 5.30 **Cycling: Kellogg's Tour of Britain**. The fifth and final stage — grueling 126 mile grind from Liverpool to Leeds on a route incorporating five climbs 7.00 **The World This Week**. With news of the new influx of Cubans into the United States following the relaxation of traveling restrictions and a review of European opinion on the situation in Yugoslavia including news headlines and weather 8.00 **Kingdoms of the East: Battle of the Bison Forest**. Andrew Sachs narrates a documentary about the medieval Bialowieza Forest in Poland, which has never been felled and is home to the last European bison. (Teletext)



Intoxicuous relationship: Benoit Frenoux, Les Mascares (8.00pm)



tasteful teenage sex, jazz, Jeanne Moreau, wartime collaboration in France, thrillers, a nod to Hitchcock, a nod to Bresson, more orange juice, sorry, scenes of passage. Compared to Chard, this third look movie, compared to Truffaut, his Gallic charm appears contrived; compared to Rohmer, his character studies lack illumination. But, unlike them, he has managed a career in the USA. The most frequently visited subjects in Malle's French work are rites of passage and wartime collaboration, which are fused together in his best films (*Lacombe Lucien*, and *Au Revoir les Enfants*). *Le Souffle au Coeur* is an archly charming exercise about growing up in the Fifties, with a spurious reputation thanks to a contrived moment of incest between mother and son. Malle's tastelessness would not look out of place in British cinema

11.15 **As It Happens.** Andy Kershaw goes to Kuwait to see how the Kuwaitis are managing to get back to normal a year after the invasion

12.45 **Invitation Cabale.**

● **THE PRICE:** This early report of the cultural antiathy of New York access television is justified on the strength of it being so different from anything else on television. What made it refreshing was lack of editorial content basically, any show-off has the right to air whatever damn views he or she has. The result is as hit and miss as you would expect, but a level of New York whodunnos makes me watchable than whatever it's London equivalent might be (more uplight for sure). This is Andy Warhol for the video age – same for five minutes. Strangely – given the uncensored material – it's not an air or a TV show, it's a film, so the lack of the lack of seeing oneself were the only real objective. Wobblity shots of a dog being fed cake, while off camera someone sings "happy birthday, Fiddy the dog," count among this year's highs, as does presenter Laurie Piko who puts the fun back into television presentation. (7)

1.30am **The Oprah Winfrey Show:** Worthing Glass. Humsong. Apparently, a survey taken in America in 1990 revealed that most professional women do not have a therapy group. Oprah, professional men, they're rather the macho, rugged, serious, and top appearance of the proletariat. To teach the therapy, Oprah put together a panel of gorgeous blue collar beauties and invited an audience of professional women to take their pick. Endless 2.20

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- 6.45 Open University Ends at 8.50
8.55 Playhouse (r).
9.15 Summer Show. First in a three-part series of open-air workshop from the historic Mayan Castle in Jersey.
9.00 Country File. John Craven visits Dorset and attends the Ashover show, which started in 1925 and is one of rural England's enduring traditions. 10.25 Weather.
10.30 See Heart. Celine and Maureen Denmark present the magazine for the deaf community. Includes a look at Usher syndrome and an update on the Romanian deaf children and the future of programmes for the deaf on Channel 4.
10.55 Critique. England v West Indies. Tony Lewis introduces live coverage of the opening session of the fourth day's play in the first Test between England and West Indies at the Oval.
1.00 News followed by Speaking Volumes. P.D. James invites Janice Galloway, Jenny Davis and Malcolm Bradbury to discuss the pick of the week's paperback, and Sophie Grigson to talk about her recipe for good cookery books.
1.45 Good Little Monkeys and First Swallow. Two MGM cartoons.
2.00 Dallas. JR starts his play (again) to recapture Ewing O'Neil (CeeCee).
3.45 Film: Irreconcilable Differences (1984). Lightweight billed comedy about a couple who are sued for divorce by their ten-year-old daughter - a mushy moral message to all professional parents who neglect their kids. Starring Ryan O'Neal, Shelley Long and Drew Barrymore, directed by Charles Shyer. (CeeCee) Film: Doctor in the House (1954-15). The Royal National Eisteddfod of Wales. Mold, 1991.
5.30 Tom and Jerry. Animated cat-and-mouse adventures.
5.45 Safari UK: The Living Isles - Time and Tide. Julian Pettifer continues his natural history series with a look at the 10,000 miles of spectacular ever-changing coastline around the British Isles (r).
6.25 News with Maria Stuart. Weather.
6.40 Titchmarsh's Travels. Alan Titchmarsh joins a group of pilgrims from St Martin-in-the-Fields Church in London who are walking the famous 73 miles to Canterbury in aid of the homeless.
7.15 Butterflies. Carla Lane's bitter-sweet sitcom about mid-life angst starring Wendy Craig and Geoffrey Palmer (r). (CeeCee)
7.45 Around the World in 80 Days. Michael Palin takes a trip on a container ship from Singapore to Hong Kong, then an express train ride to Shanghai - putting him on schedule for the first time since leaving Europe (r). (CeeCee)
8.35 Film: A New Life (1988). Sharply-observed romantic comedy about a newly divorced couple who find new ways of coping with their new-found freedom - he finds the singles scene and she meets a younger man. With John Sheehy, Hal Linden and Veronica Hamel, directed by Alan Alda. (CeeCee)
10.15 News with Michael Buerk. (CeeCee) Weather.



Charity in the spirit of reconciliation: Anna Grace (10.30pm)

- 10.30 Everyone: From Grace to Mercy.
CHOICE: Charity, according to the Concise Oxford, includes the following definitions: Christian love of fellow men; beneficence; liberality to the poor, alms-giving; institution for helping the helpless, help so given, (old) as charity, an alms to mechanical administration. Tonight's Everyone revolves around a definition of the word: does it mean to help without qualification, or to help others to help themselves? Anna Grace, who at 85 still runs the Spafford clinic for children in the Moslem quarter of Old Jerusalem, explains how the clinic was founded in 1925 by her mother "in the spirit of reconciliation", and that its aim is to teach different denominations to live in harmony. This guiding principle is qualified by the clinic's new owners, an American-based Christian charity, called Mercy Corps, and by Anna Grace's much younger and less experienced understudy who argues for a more theoretical approach and fewer free hand-outs. A major stand-off is the result, with the formidable Grace fortifying in her dislike of these new methods of her successor. (CeeCee)
11.10 The Days and Nights of Molly Dodd. Sitcom about a single girl in a man's world.
11.35 When in Germany. Jeff Cook and Erika Neukirchen discover how Nuremberg adapted to the post-war challenges (r). 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S&P Composite	366.68 (-0.69)	Aberforth Spk (100p)	20
Nikkei Average	23434.92 (-47.84)	Alliance Res	104
Hong Kong		Bramble Res (155p)	112
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Asia 500	1110.08 (-0.58)	Clarendon Gmts (175p)	171 +1
Amsterdam:		Conoco-Cyclical (100p)	105
CSB Tendency	82.3 (-0.4)	Conoco-Cyclical (100p)	87 +1
Sydney: AAX	1584.1 (-4.5)	Graydon Blue Chip (100p)	101
Frankfurt: DAX	10322.21 (+2.00)	EFM Inc Int (65p)	68
Brussels:		Edco	38
General	5767.05 (-2.79)	ESB Germany Int (100p)	208
Paris: CAC	470.04 (-0.4)	Europacorp (225p)	140
Zurich: SCA Gen	447.84 (+2.6)		
London:		Gartmore Inc (100p)	108
FT-A AllShare	1229.72 (-11.84)	Gartmore Cap (100p)	108 +1
FT-100	1322.01 (-1.07)	Geared Inc (100p)	104
FT. Gold Mines	178.3 (+1.1)	Geared Int (100p)	22
FT. Flashed Int	94.48 (same)	Greenwich Res	17 -1
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Keeping tabs on repossessions

From this week, the names of thousands of people who have allowed lenders to repossess their homes, after their mortgage payments proved too much, will be stored on the databases of credit reference agencies. Any of these borrowers subsequently wanting another mortgage could find the welcome mat whipped away and the door slammed in their face.

Lenders have set up a mortgage possession register under the Council of Mortgage Lenders, their umbrella organisation. A borrower applying for a loan from Monday will have his or her record checked with one of three credit reference agencies to discover if there has been a past voluntary repossession. Anyone who has handed the keys of their home back to the lender and stopped making mortgage repayments, for any reason, will be on record if their lender has chosen to participate in the scheme.

The Council of Mortgage Lenders is adamant that this will not be a blacklist and that people

will not be prevented from obtaining another mortgage just because of a past repossession record. No personal information will be held on the file, which will include only the name, address, that a property has been repossessed, date of repossession, previous address, and lender's name.

Theoretically, the information held on the database is a guide to lenders who are then supposed to make further enquiries. This is a dangerous and potentially damaging approach. It is easy to imagine how lenders, cautious after two years of record arrears, will use the knowledge of a past repossession as an excuse to refuse a loan without enquiring into the circumstances. As soon as the housing market picks up, lenders will have the whip hand again.

Some would argue that it



COMMENT

SARA MCCONNELL
PERSONAL FINANCE WRITER

would be an invasion of privacy to hold details of personal circumstances on a central database. But, if there is to be a register, it should include these details. The majority of people whose homes have been repossessed have been driven to it by high interest rates and, more recently, redundancy. Relationships strained by financial difficulties give way, and the loss of one income can push people over the edge into repossession. It is unfair on these people to hold potentially damaging information on computer without

some indication that there are mitigating circumstances. When their financial situation improves, they will want to start again.

A small minority of people set out to abuse the system. Some apply for a mortgage from one lender, not making any payments and promptly move on to obtain a loan from another unsuspecting lender, when the property in arrears is repossessed. In this way they can live rent-free for years. Others, lumped together by lenders as "Docklands yuppies", bought homes as an investment

during the housing boom and handed back their keys in disgust when they found the investment was worth less than the mortgage.

The new register should be ideal for keeping tabs on these people and refusing them mortgages in the future. It should also help to cut down on mortgage fraud. But a computer database is a very blunt instrument to use for the majority whose only crime (or misdemeanour) is to get into financial difficulties.

Helping hand

Building society investors should be reassured by the Woolwich's offer to bail out the much smaller Southdown society, which is based in Sussex, after the latter suffered a run on some branches on Thursday. The run was caused by what the

Southdown described as "mischievous rumours" and fuelled by heightened public fear of financial collapse after the closure of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International.

The Woolwich's move shows that even if a smaller society finds itself in difficulties (and there is no suggestion that the rumour is true), investors will be safe. There is a long tradition of stronger societies rescuing weaker ones. They should be covered either with lifeboat loans, promised by the Woolwich in this case and previously by others, such as the Leeds.

The building society compensation scheme covers 90 per cent of the first £20,000 of a member's deposit in the unlikely event of a collapse. Realistically, the Building Societies Commission should not allow any society to reach this stage and would put pressure on any struggling society to merge with a stronger one. Even if smaller society investors regret the passing of a society in this way, it is better than collapse.

Banks lift debt stakes for new students

Undergraduates are being lured with offers of interest-free loans in their first year. But the overdraft burden could be even greater later, as Sara McConnell reports

BANKS are offering higher interest-free overdrafts to students starting courses in October, but many facing escalating debts will be forced to pay interest on their debt when they enter their second year.

This year, for the first time, the Royal Bank of Scotland has adopted the same strategy as Barclays and National Westminster, the two largest student banks, and will charge second-year students interest if they go into the red. The Royal Bank's free overdraft limit for this year's new students is £400, increased from £300 last year. The cost of an overdraft that continues into the second year, however, will be between 3 and 6 per cent above base rate. Last year's student account offered a free authorised overdraft of £300 a year every year for the full term of the course.

The bank agreed that the decision was partly made with a view to looking attractive on comparative tables of student bank accounts. It said: "We are putting our resources into our first-year accounts. We feel it is still a good deal as the alternative would be to run up debts on an Access or Visa account."

National Westminster Bank, with the largest share of the student banking market, announced this week that the new limit on its free overdraft would be £400, £100 more than last year, for students starting full-time degree courses in October. Those entering their second year still in debt will have to pay interest at 1 per cent more than the base rate.

Dennis Pigott, NatWest's head of product marketing, said 50 per cent of the bank's quarter of a million student customers were in debt at any one time. At the end of June, the debt was £500, lower than last year's figure of £530.

He said: "Student debt has not got significantly worse. They are realising certain economic truths, perhaps because of the amount of publicity about debt."

NatWest offered a free £300 overdraft for the first time last year and is looking at the

possibility of offering the facility throughout the student's course. He said: "An interest-free overdraft has become one of the most important parts of the student package in the last two years, after the cash gift."

The bank has increased to £35 the cash gift paid to student customers when they deposit their first grant cheque or parental contribution. Students normally qualify for a NatWest service card, which includes a Switch electronic debit card, cashpoint card and £50 cheque guarantee card. Interest on credit balances will be paid at a rate of 4.62 per cent gross.

Barclays Bank's student customers who are in debt and going into their second year also have to pay interest on overdrafts at 1 per cent above base.

First year students will be able to apply for an interest-free loan of £300, the same as last year, although Jeremy Lasman, Barclays' marketing manager, current accounts and card products, said that the offer of an interest-free overdraft

would not be automatic. Other banks also say that any interest-free overdraft will depend on the branch's discretion. Mr Lasman denied that banks were cynically trying

to tempt students with offers of free overdrafts in the first year before they charged interest in the second year. He said: "The purpose of an overdraft in the first year is as a buffer for the period between school and university. First-year students have a big initial expenditure. They have to think about having a grant, and maybe a student loan, and get to grips with running their own personal finances for perhaps the first time in their lives. The reality of life is that you don't get borrowing for free."

This year's student package from Barclays includes an incentive of £25 cash or £30 in record vouchers and an increased interest rate of 5.5 per cent gross on credit balances. About a third of Barclays'

student customers are in debt at any one time. According to Mr Lasman, however, the bank's student customer base runs its financial affairs sensibly.

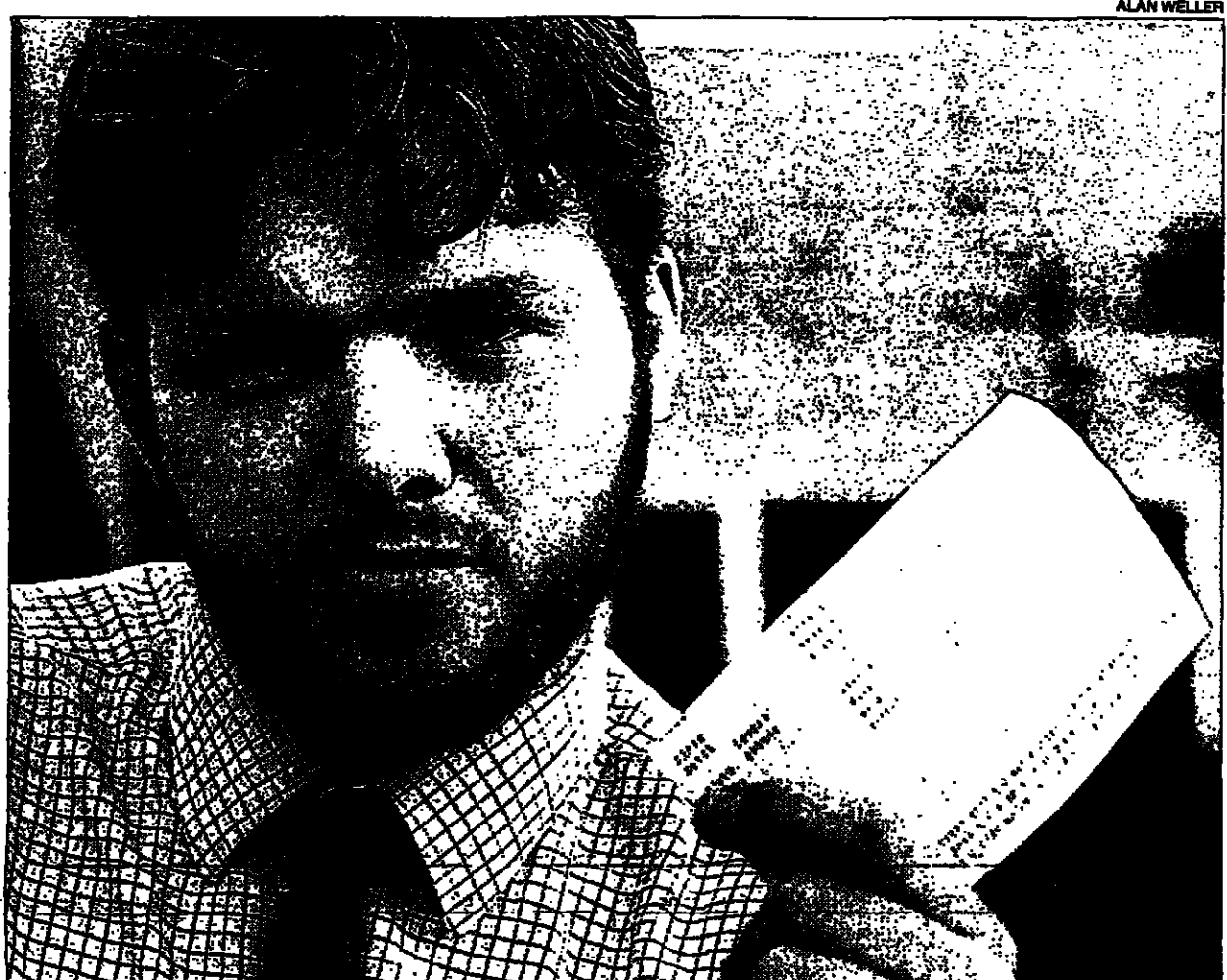
"Things are tougher this year and the structure of the problem has changed. The government loan scheme was not communicated as effectively as it might have been and some people were concerned about getting into longer-term debt, although others who had used it found it was very good," he said.

Fifty per cent of Lloyds' students are in debt at any one time. The average first-year overdraft last year was £272, within the £300 limit set by the bank. The average overdraft of second and third year students was £420, taking them above the limit. This year, Lloyds has raised the free overdraft limit to £400. Unlike NatWest and

Barclays, free overdrafts from Lloyds and Midland continue throughout the student's course, by arrangement. The Midland has held its interest-free loan at £300 a year this year. There is also a cash incentive of £30 and the interest on credit balances will be paid at 7.5 per cent gross.

Figures compiled by the National Union of Students (NUS) show it was almost impossible for students with no extra income beyond a full grant and a full student loan to stay in credit last year. High rents, poll tax and the cost of books and equipment make it likely that nearly all beginning their second year this October will have an overdraft on which they must start paying interest.

The NUS said: "It is very



Well red: Tom Semark, a second year student, with his bank statement showing a heavy overdraft

difficult to get accurate figures for the total amount of student debt but I can't imagine that any student is not in debt if they have just lived off the hand amount available."

Students in London existing on a full grant of £2,845 and last year's maximum student loan of £336, excluding cover for the long vacation, would find themselves £1,433 out of pocket at the end of 38 weeks, the NUS calculates.

Figures compiled from education department reports put the debt much lower at £184, but it concedes that debt is almost inevitable.

Both sets of figures assume a rent of £50 a week but the department puts the cost of food, clothing, poll tax laundry and socialising at £1,094 a year, based on social security payments. The NUS puts it much higher at £1,799.

The maximum grant for students living outside London is £2,265. The loan is £307, excluding the long vacation. The NUS estimates a debt at the end of the academic year of £604, while the education department's figures put the overdraft at £33. Rent is assumed at £30 a week. The NUS calculates the cost of daily living at £1,580 a year while the education department's total is, again, £1,094.

There has been a much lower than expected take-up of student loans. The government-owned student loan company reported that the total lent in 1990-1 was £70 million rather than the £200 million predicted by Ronald Harrison, the managing director, last year.

The total number of loans issued was 178,927 and the company received 191,725 applications, less than half the predicted take-up of 500,000. This year's maximum loan is £660 in London, £580 outside London and £460 for those living with their parents.

jobs are useful to supplement grants or pay off an overdraft, but students should concentrate on studying during term time. As long as personal earnings do not exceed £3,295, students should not pay tax, but should complete a P38(s) form from an employer.

If there are any funds remaining from the weekly budget, an alternative to spending it all would be to deposit it in a savings account, the guide says. This would give money to fall back on and earn better interest.

The Abbey National advises 18 to 24 year olds working or studying to consider taking out a personal loan, which could cost less than running up bills on a credit card.

Second year ends with £1,000 debt

TOM Semark has ended his second year at Wye College, University of London, nearly £1,000 in the red, despite being paid a full grant by Kent County Council and borrowing the maximum £460 from the student loan scheme (Sara McConnell writes).

He says he drinks "quite a lot" as well as owning and running a car, but there are few students, even at the relatively affluent college, who are not in debt.

Mr Semark said: "It is the rule rather than the exception to have an overdraft, although the general level of wealth of the students is high. There is a lot of ignorance and people don't want to take out loans."

Rents are high in the South-east, but Mr Semark shares a cottage in the Kent countryside and pays £30 a week excluding bills. Next year, he will be even better placed, renting a house for £20 per week plus bills.

Once the limited supply of

cheap accommodation is exhausted, however, students have to live in Ashford, the nearest town to Wye College, where rents can be about £450 a month, excluding bills, for three sharing a house.

Mr Semark is spending the summer working for his father converting a barn. He is one of a fortunate and diminishing group of students who have found a holiday job.

He said: "I should be able to pay off my overdraft but it does mean I can't do any background work for the special project I'm meant to be doing in my final year."

Some students were so hard up that they spent more time working to pay off their debts than studying, Mr Semark added.

The National Westminster Bank has been generally sympathetic about Mr Semark's overdraft, although he would prefer to receive a statement monthly rather than once a term.

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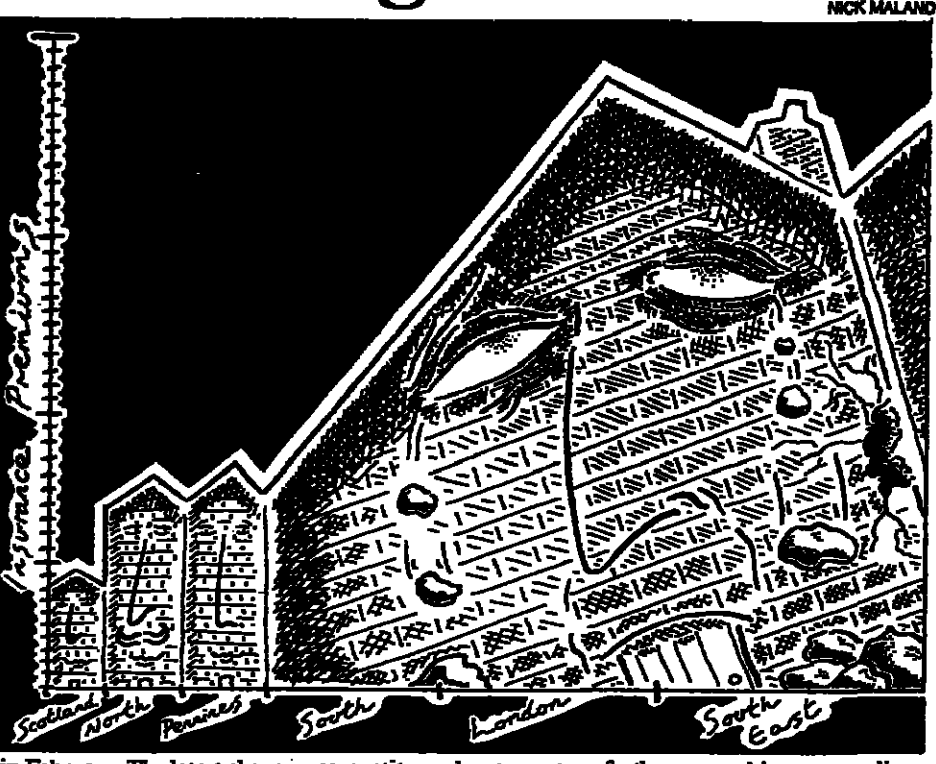
By Liz Dolan

HOUSEHOLDERS in London and other parts of the South who insure their homes through Royal Insurance face premium rises of up to 80 per cent from October 1.

Royal, which vies with Sun Alliance as Britain's largest buildings insurer, is imposing tiered premium rates for such cover to compensate for the big increase in subsidence claims over the past few years.

Other leading insurers are expected to follow the lead set by Royal and Norwich Union, which imposed a similar rating system on policyholders from August 1.

Royal has divided the country into five bands. Homes to be insured will be rated according to their location. Policyholders in Scotland, the Pennines and north Cornwall are likely to see their premiums fall from £2.20 to £1.80 per £1,000 sum insured. Those who live in London, the South and Southeast, on the other hand, will face increases of up to £4 per £1,000.



The Royal said: "The spread of our business means we have been able to set up a highly complex system. We have got it down to such a fine art that Kent alone contains four different rating areas."

Householders insured with Royal currently pay a flat rate of £2.20 per £1,000 sum insured, after a 10 per cent rise

in February. The latest change will push rates another 10 per cent higher overall. The excess on all subsidence claims doubles to £1,000.

Heavy subsidence caused by a succession of dry summers and winters has alarmed the insurance industry, which is faced with a mass of claims. In the first quarter of this year, Royal's subsidence losses surged by 123 per cent to £22 million.

Figures this week from Commercial Union show that subsidence losses jumped from £10 million to £18 million in the first half of this year. The full extent of the problem will not be evident until the end of the year, because most subsidence claims arise in the autumn.

Sun Alliance, Legal & General, Guardian Royal Exchange, General Accident and Commercial Union will all unveil differential rating systems over the next few months. Rates are likely to be closer to Royal's than to those of Norwich Union, which has decided to charge people in the highest risk areas £2.40 per £1,000 sum insured. Most

competitors plan top rates of between £3.50 and £4.

Asked to explain the discrepancy, the Norwich said: "We have simply gauged our rates according to our claims experience. I suspect some of the rates planned by other insurers are there simply to deter higher risk policyholders."

The Norwich denied it was trying to increase its market share by charging lower premiums. "It looks like we're going to get some of the business the others don't want. But we still feel we can make a profit. All we're really trying to do is get back into the black."

Premium levels are also affected by the number of areas into which insurers choose to divide their customer base. Sun Alliance is planning seven different rating areas, which means that far fewer people will fall into its highest band than into Norwich's, which only has four premium levels.

Legal & General will announce details of its new system next month, with a view to imposing the revised rates in October. Rod Young,

the personal insurance director, said that he was considering five rating levels with a top rate of between £3.50 and £4 per £1,000. "I think rates and districts will look different once the system has been in operation for a time."

Guardian Royal Exchange, which expects to announce its new rates "in the late autumn", also views the initial premium levels as something of an experiment. Don Watts, the personal insurance manager, said: "It's a similar scenario to what happened to contents insurance in 1985. We divided it into eight rating districts and we're still sorting out the postcodes even now."

Jeff Kehoe, underwriting manager, household, with Sun Alliance, said: "It's important to get it right first time. It's a very big change for the insurance industry. We are spending a tremendously long time fine-tuning our statistics to decide which postcode fits which category."

Lenders offer lower capped mortgage rates

By Sara McConnell

COMPETITION among mortgage lenders to offer capped loans at a fixed rate for a year, with borrowers benefiting if the standard rate falls below the capped rate, is increasing.

The Yorkshire Building Society, the twelfth largest, has limited funds capped at 10.25 per cent (an annual percentage rate of 11 per cent) until September 1, next year. Remortgages are also available at an extra 0.5 per cent (APR 11.5 per cent). There is an application fee of £150, £50 of which is payable with the application and non-refundable. The remaining £100 will be debited to the mortgage account on completion. The minimum loan is £25,000 and maximum loan is £150,000.

UCB Home Loans, the centralised lender, has announced a new capped rate of 10.95 per cent (APR 12.8 per cent) until July 31, next year, for borrowers applying through the lender's preferred

sources, which include most insurance companies and their agents. After this, the rate will revert to the standard rate. There is also a capped rate of 11.35 per cent (13.3 per cent APR) for borrowers applying for a loan through other brokers.

Vincent Antia, the London mortgage broker, is offering a capped rate of 10.65 per cent (APR 13.1 per cent) until September 30, next year, to borrowers who take out a loan before November 30. Borrowers will benefit if the standard mortgage rate falls any lower during this period. There is an arrangement fee of £125 but no early repayment penalty during the capped rate period.

The broker is also offering a fixed-rate mortgage of 10.75 per cent (12.8 per cent APR) until September 30, next year. Borrowers repaying their mortgage early will have to pay a penalty of three monthly instalments.

BRIEFINGS

PARENTS who want to save for their children's education could use one of Equity & Law's three new school fees plans. A lump sum can be invested in an investment bond, linked to one of the company's life funds, or in a unit trust personal equity plan, which provides tax-free proceeds. For those with at least ten years to spare, there is an endowment regular savings plan, again linked to up to ten of Equity & Law's life funds. All three plans may be used for other purposes.

□ Diners Club has increased benefits on TravellerCard, the free travel insurance scheme that becomes effective when one of its cards is used to buy travel tickets. Payments on death or serious injury rise by £25,000 to £100,000, and by

£175,000 to £250,000 for emergency medical expenses, including repatriation. A maximum £1 million may now be claimed for third person liability, against £750,000.

□ Maxi-Cover is a new unit-linked term assurance from Citibank Life. The plan may be used for inheritance tax planning and mortgage cover, and offers inflation-linked benefits and premiums. Citibank is also offering a free guide to making a will, obtainable on Freephone 0800 225 226. Details of the company's new will writing service are available on the same number.

□ The Co-operative Bank is guaranteeing interest rates on its new card-based current account at 7.5 per cent net until at least the beginning of October.

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Market beginning to look towards economic recovery - buy.

■ The economy has not yet felt the full effect of recent interest rate cuts. However there is some evidence of the first tentative signs of economic recovery.

■ With Parliament in recess, politics are unlikely to upset the market during the summer, and the economic picture should improve.

■ The FT Actuaries All-Share Index has set a new all-time high - for the first time since July 1987, suggesting interest in smaller company stock is also increasing.

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Economic recovery has started - buy.

■ Consumer spending has generated economic growth in the second quarter. There should also be the impetus for some recovery in the third and fourth quarter.

■ With inflation on a downward path, the authorities are showing a willingness to pursue the policies which should ensure that the economic recovery is maintained.

■ Not only is inflation coming down but company profits are through the worst. Having had the price/earnings ratio expansion as interest rates fell, the next phase of the bull market should be driven by the recovery in corporate profits.

Recommended Save & Prosper Fund: American Smaller Companies Fund for renewed outperformance from the small company sector.

JAPAN

Bond market rally should push equities higher - buy.

■ The bond market has rallied strongly, helping support the Nikkei Dow. This trend is expected to continue as interest rates continue to fall.

■ There are now clear indications of an economic slowdown. Industrial production in the second quarter was -0.8% quarter on quarter. Housing starts were down 21.6% year on year.

■ The yen has been discounting the next cut in interest rates. The stock market has yet to do this.

■ As the economy cools and company profits weaken, larger companies will be the ones that outperform.

Recommended Save & Prosper Fund: Japan Growth Fund for exposure to larger companies.

PACIFIC REGION

Optimism for the region continues - buy.

■ The price/earnings multiples for stock markets in the region are still at generally attractive levels.

■ Although company earnings prospects for 1991 are mixed, as the world economy recovers in 1992 growth will increase. High growth should lead to superior returns from Pacific region markets.

■ Hong Kong has finally broken through the 1987 all-time high - fuelled by a strong residential property market.

■ As Australia comes out of recession, company earnings should be upgraded. Taking a long-term view, the market is currently good value. The All Ordinaries Index is still 27% below its all-time high.

Recommended Save & Prosper Fund: Eastern Discovery Fund for exposure to both the Japanese and Australian markets.

EUROPE

Short-term uncertainties - hold.

■ German interest rates are likely to rise due to increasing inflation - bond markets have already discounted a 0.5% rise.

■ The fourth quarter of 1991 should start to see sentiment for European markets improve on the prospect of economic recovery in 1992.

■ Internationally the markets are cheap; the recessions of France and Italy have not been as bad as in the UK.

COMMODITIES

Base metals outperform during economic recovery - buy.

■ Metal stockpiles are relatively low; so, when the economic recovery gets into full swing, prices will quickly respond to the rise in demand.

■ Gold is expected to trade in a band between US\$350 and US\$400 until the end of 1991.

■ The oil price is expected to strengthen during the fourth quarter of 1991 and the first quarter of 1992 as demand picks up.

Recommended Save & Prosper Fund: Commodity Share Fund for its high exposure to quality mining shares.

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